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Kinzenbaw named Academic All-America Player of Year

to cap record-setting season

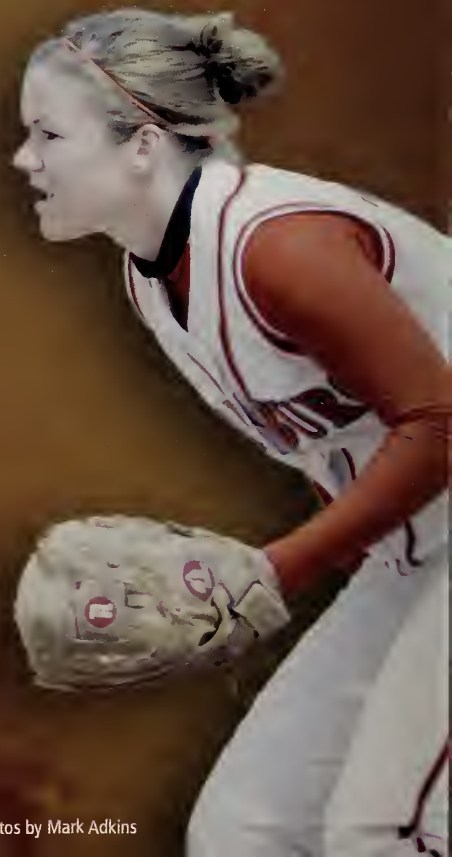
PLAYER OF YEAR – Shortstop Cari Kinzenbaw '06 of Ladora was named Academic All-America Player of the Year in collegiate softball at the conclusion of the 2006 season.

Wartburg softball shortstop Cari Kinzenbaw '06 hit a home run for women at Wartburg when she was named Academic All-America Player of the Year in the collegiate division by *ESPN the Magazine* and the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). She is the first woman and second student-athlete in Wartburg history to receive the honor, joining men's basketball player Dan Nettleton '91, who won the award in 1991.

Kinzenbaw's honor capped a season that saw the Knights softball team achieve its first 40-win season, a berth in the NCAA Division III regional tournament and the program's second Iowa Conference championship.

Along the way, coach Kara Kehe '97 was named Iowa Conference Coach of the Year, pitcher Jackie Sorenson '06 of Tiffin earned Iowa Conference Player of the Year honors, and Steph Howe '07 of Clinton was named an All-American by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association.

ALL-AMERICAN – Steph Howe '07 of Clinton became the fourth Wartburg player to earn National Fastpitch Coaches Association All-American honors.



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Roland Ferrie '08

GOOEY – It took nine gallons each of catsup, mustard and mayonnaise to make the pictured condiment slide at the 2006 Food Olympics.

STUFF IT – The 2006 Food Olympics included eating contests.

Die Liste

Gallons of ice cream consumed at Wartburg last year: 3,702

Servings the above amount represents: 296,160

Part-time student employees in Wartburg Dining Services: 200 (including 30 high school students)

Most popular soups served at Wartburg: Fully Loaded Potato and Chicken Tortilla

Guests served in the Den and Konditorei last year: 399,474

Reduction in Mensa's paper napkin usage since dispensers were placed on tables: 1/3

Most popular Wartburg entree: Tequila Lime Chicken

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ON THE COVER – Karris Golden '98, writer/editor in communication and marketing, photographed graduating seniors as members of the faculty congratulated them following Commencement May 28. For the story, go to page 17.

YOU CAN FINANCE A COLLEGE EDUCATION

CUTTING through the CLUTTER

by Karris Golden '98

It's an unfortunate reality: Most of today's college graduates enter the workforce in debt.

College Board reports the debt load of the typical public university undergraduate at $15,500. For undergraduate students who borrow to attend private nonprofit institutions, the median debt is $19,400. Debts are even higher for graduate students.

"Anticipated debt levels should be very influential to students when they make their college decision," explains Jennifer Sassman, director of financial aid. "Some students are debt conscious, others are not. Several students focus on the gift assistance at one college versus another and that is it. To find the best value students need to broaden their rational for selecting a certain college."

Matt Lamos '06 of Waverly graduated in May and says he carries roughly $5,000 in loan debt. He secured a 12-month internship with the new Hooters Casino Hotel in Las Vegas and will gain experience in all facets of the resort's operation.

"My debt load didn't affect my post-college job choice," Lamos says. "With a little saving, my loans aren't going to be a threat to me."

Conversely, Lamos' classmate, Ashley Weets '06 of Lost Nation, says she faces approximately

$50,000 in college debt. "I am going straight to graduate school," she adds. "I decided to go ro graduate school because … I am still in 'school mode.' Therefore, I rhink it is best for me to keep on being a student for a couple more years."

Conrinuing her education will defer loan repayment two years, which she appreciares. She adds that she will not accumulare more debt. "I have received an assisranrship for my program, so I do not have to pay a dime for (graduate school)!"

Undergraduate tuition and fees conrinue ro increase at a rate higher than inflation. There are warnings that by 2026 four years of college will cost more than $275,000. Many parents fear they won't be able to afford the price tag.

Traditional pension plans are becoming a rhing of the past. As a result, parents must save for their own retirement, and they are often advised to contribute to those plans before allocating funds for their kids' college education.

"People say, 'I'd like my child to go to Wartburg, but I wonder if I'll be able to afford it,'" says Dr. Edith Waldstein '73, vice president for enrollment managemenr. "It's a statement we often hear too ofren from alumni and families of other prospective students."

Parents have turned in increasing numbers to college savings plans. "If you've been meaning to start one, there's no longer any reason ro wair," says Waldstein.

Every state has a 529 college-savings program that allows tax-free contributions. In the past, these programs used to carry high costs.

In recent years that has changed. Competition has driven down fees, which financial experts say is the most important selection factor. Some plans are now even cheaper than conventional mutual funds. Virginia manages the largest plan in the nation, with more than $14 billion in assets. Its fees are capped at 0.56 percent of assets, about one-rhird the cost of a typical stock mutual fund.

"When you go shopping, comparing investment results of 529 plans is less fruitful than using other criteria," writes Tim Middleton, radio commentator and former Dow Jones News Service reporter. "Yes, riskier funds do sometimes perform better, but the real way to improve your results is to cut costs. Consider the benefit of shaving your costs by 1 percent: Over 18 years, a return of 7 percent on an investment of $100,000 is $338,056 – some 18.4 percent more than the $285,480 a 6 percent return delivers."

Other prepaid plans exist, too, allowing parents to lock in future tuition costs at participating colleges and universities. The money in such plans, which allow parents to save in a tax-advantaged investment accounts, is treated as their money. Under the federal aid formula, only 5.64 percent of parents' money is expected to go toward college expenses.

According to SavingforCollege.com, at least 13 states offer prepaid plans. In addition, the nonprofit Tuition Plan Consortium offers prepaid plans for 255 private colleges and universities.

Parents should start by investing early, when their children are young, says Waldstein. "Research the various options," she adds. "Talk with financial advisers. Talk with financial aid directors and business officers at colleges."

Like so many major investments, it's important to look beyond the "sticker price" and weigh the investment in relation ro the value of the "product," explains Waldstein. The impact of student debt has

Tips for financing a college education

- Make sure you know the total cost of attending your top choice(s).
- Don't follow the pack. A high school senior may let friends influence clothing choices and hairstyles, but where you go to school should be as individual as you are.
- Pin down the amount of grant and scholarship money you're being offered. Anything above that amount must be worked off or repaid at some point.
- Don't buy into the hype. Many wrongly assume a particular college is "too expensive" based on anecdotal information. Investigate your options personally and ask questions. Because of many financial aid options, education costs are much more manageable.
- Find out how your financial aid will change over the four years at college.
- Calculate your debt load. Don't wait until your senior year before you formulate a loan repayment plan.
- Talk with admissions, financial aid and business officers about financing college.
- Don't miss the boat academically. One of the most important factors in college admissions is how well you did in college preparation courses.

-- From ACT and MarketWatch

Derek Solheim '93, Pathways Center associate director for Career Services, provides seniors with facts about the job market, such as:

- Only 1 in 10 successful job candidates will find a job through the Internet.
- 70-80 percent of all available jobs are not advertised.
- Most interviewers decide in the first 30 seconds if they want to hire a candidate or not.
- Your academic major and high GPA are frequently less important to employers than excellent written and verbal communication skills, a positive "can do" attitude, team work skills and the ability to think on your feet.

become a major influence in the college admissions process, she adds.

The No. 1 deciding factor should be fit, says Sassman. "Once you've assessed that, pay attention to out of pocket costs – including loan – at one institution versus another. Total cost, minus gift assistance is your true out of pocket expense. Often students get wowed by their scholarship and forget to consider cost. To take it a step further, students should consider their anticipated salaries in relation to potential debt. This type of long-term analysis will pay off in the future."

Once students make their college choice, credit card vendors find them easy prey, Sassman warns. This non-educational debt added to educational debt can make starting life in the real world a serious problem.

"It's becoming an issue increasingly, in part due to the rising tuition prices but also in part due the culture of debt our students are encouraged to enter. Students are, in fact, practicing it," Waldstein explains. "Graduates today have startling amounts of non-educational debt as they leave college. While this would, on one hand, appear to indicate they are insensitive to issues of debt, I think on the front end, the admissions process, it is a bit more frightening. They hear it from their parents, who are concerned about being able to pay for a college education."

Previously, parents believed that if their child was a good student, scholarships would pay for all or most of college. Today, some parents believe that to be a painful myth.

However, Waldstein says "good students" can take heart; if you work hard, you will receive some sort of college assistance.

"If you are an outstanding, exceptional student, there is a good chance that a large portion of the tuition will be paid," says Waldstein. "If you are simply a 'good' student (and don't have a lot of financial need), you could get a scholarship, but it likely won't cover all of your tuition or even anywhere close to all of your tuition."

Tuition, room and board are typically easy to figure out, but you should also include in your budget the cost of books, travel and personal expenses, Waldstein advises.

Price shouldn't be a deal breaker, say most college planning advisers. According to ACT, an independent not-for-profit research and testing organization, students and parents sometimes group colleges and decide "all private colleges are too expensive" or "all public universities are cheaper." However, once financial aid offers come, families discover private colleges and public universities carry similar out-of-pocket expenses.

Hidden costs

Some college students try to take a sizeable bite out of their debt load by decreasing living expenses. The most common money saving scheme students devise is to move into off-campus housing with several friends.

But such plans fail to help students truly monitor their spending, explains Peter Armstrong, associate dean of students and director of residential life. Instead, students incorrectly calculate their housing, transportation, meals, clothing and entertainment expenditures and may feel tempted to take on more debt in an effort to finance a lifestyle that is beyond their means.

In other words, students don't write "one big check," but they rack up a lot more expenses by writing lots of little ones.

"There's no question it's cheaper if you're eating tomato soup and grilled cheese sandwiches," says Armstrong. "But time is money. A lot of students don't factor in that if you're on a board plan, someone else shops for food and prepares your meals. Students tend to overlook the fact that phone service, cable, computer access, utilities and many other expenses are built into the cost of the room."

However, the greatest benefit to living on campus is social, Armstrong stresses. "There is documented proof that students who live on campus generally do better academically. You have the ability to be in closer contact with classmates and other peers."

Often, students plan to rent off campus with friends. Yet even if friendships survive late rent checks, alternate sleep schedules and the significant other who won't leave or contribute to rent, such arrangements don't fulfill all social needs.

"A student will tell me, 'I'm going to live with my best friend,'" Armstrong says. "There's no question you can do that off campus. But that's all you're living with. On campus, there are other people who are different, interesting, helpful – maybe even a little bit quirky. But hey: Welcome to the world."

College: a sound investment

As debt payments loom, graduates face hard choices about jobs, housing and lifestyles. The Class of 2006 can take heart: Employment experts say they will graduate into the best job market in six years.

"For the third consecutive year, the overall job market for entry level college graduates has improved," says Derek Solheim '93, Pathways Center associate director for Career Services. "College grads are finding a variety of career opportunities to pursue."

With baby boomers beginning to retire, an economy rebounding from a post-Sept. 11 slump and a technology upturn after the 2000 dotcom bust, employers nationwide expect to hire nearly 15 percent more college graduates this year than in May 2005.

For example, Enterprise Rent-A-Car and Lockheed Martin expect to hire more than 11,000 college graduates for entry-level positions this year.

Across the nation, most job offers are being made to those receiving degrees in financial service areas, accounting, engineering and computer services, according to the National Association of Colleges and Employers, which has monitored employment availability for college graduates for 50 years.

In addition to the optimistic hiring forecast for 2006 graduates, the association surveyed employers and discovered that starting salaries will be better, too. A good student with a degree in accounting could possibly earn $46,000 – up 5 percent over last year.

"I tell seniors that the job search may often seem like attempting a journey into uncharted territory full of obscured pathways and unseen risks," Solheim says. "We are here in Career Services to help cut through the tangle of uncertainty surrounding your first job search."

Kathryn Powell '06 graduated in December and had a job waiting at Quad/Graphics in Davenport. There, she works as a corporate trainee and earns approximately $25,000 per year.

"I have about $15,500 in loan debt, and fortunately my parents help me out," she says. "I am definitely appreciative!"

Student loans impact lifestyle choices

The 2002 National Student Loan Survey conducted by Nellie Mae found that a significant number of people repaying student loans changed their behavior due to their debt:

- 17 percent significantly changed career plans
- 38 percent delayed buying a home
- 30 percent delayed buying a car
- 21 percent delayed having children
- 14 percent delayed getting married
- 13 percent delayed moving out of their parents' home

Get started

Log on at one of the following sites to get information about financing a college education:

www.wartburg.edu/finaid/

www.independent529plan.org/

www.savingforcollege.com

www.principal.com/PAGA

URBAN OUTFITTER

by Lis Erickson '97

When Jennifer Auerbach, a graphic designer at Children's Hospital of Denver, learned she would host a Wartburg West intern, she didn't realize the Iowa student would prove invaluable.

"Jolene Goerend '02 was my first intern, and she set the tone for what I could expect from Wartburg students," said Auerbach, who works in physician relations. "My Wartburg West students are excited, bright-eyed, responsible and quality people. Often, they know where they're headed in life, and they have a great commitment to service that shines through in our daily work. I love having them in our office."

Auerbach's experience is not uncommon for Denver employers who host Wartburg West students.

Students return to campus with similar feelings about their urban encounters. "My experience in Denver was amazing," said Jessica Wilke '06 of Elkader, who interned in behavioral therapies at the Children's Hospital in 2005. "My summer at Wartburg West equipped me to take on just about anything after graduation."

Auerbach and Wilke's sentiments were echoed repeatedly throughout an evening celebrating Wartburg West's 20-year anniversary.

The event took place March 20 at the Denver Performing Arts Center's Theatre Café and was coordinated by members of a local committee that reaches out to Wartburg West students

Lis Erickson

COMMITMENT – President Jack R. Ohle reiterated Wartburg's commitment to Wartburg West's urban education during a celebration of the program on March 20.

living in Denver. Some local committee members were part of the original group that welcomed students in 1985. They include Jack '53 and Marietta Schemmel; Phil and Mary Dailey '75 Gottleib; and Wilbur '60 and Dr. Marilyn Brudi '60 Flachman.

The goal of Wartburg West is to give students an urban education experience. It began during 1985-86 academic year under the leadership of Dr. Edwin Welch, then dean of the faculty, and former President Robert Vogel '56. Wartburg's status as a college of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, as well as a good-sized alumni population in the Denver area, helped determine the program's location.

Deans Welch and [Dr. James] Pence and the community of alumni were key elements for the program," said Olson. "We helped weave those pieces together, and from there, the program built itself.

"There was so much exploration in the early stages," Olson continued. "I think that Mark and I, by being mom-and-dad types of people who were friendly, caring, and energetic, allowed our participants to jump in, grow, open up to the city, and learn."

A transition year of 1990-91 saw Pastors Red and Susan Burchfield direct Wartburg West before the Rev. Nelson and the Rev. Bonita Bock were hired in spring 1991.

"We've had the easy job," said Bonita Bock. "We have had a

and Bonita's vision has furthered that effort to where we are today," he said. "Wartburg West is a part of the Wartburg tapestry. We will do all we can to continue growing this program. Our students, our faculty and our internship hosts here in Denver are instrumental in helping us fulfill our mission of educating students for lives of leadership and service as a spirited expression of their faith and learning."

As a senior during Fall Term 1995, Merrilee Bartelt Fenner '96 student taught in the Denver Public School System, and now works as a school psychologist for DPS. An example of the Wartburg mission of challenging and nurturing students for lives of leadership and service as a spirited expression of their faith and

Wartburg West celebrates its first 20 years

"A significant number of our graduates were moving to cities," said Vogel. "The question became whether they were prepared for that move. As we formed the idea of Wartburg West, an urban-based living and working experience, our challenge became convincing our faculty that this would not be a 'soft' experience; it would have academic qualifications and rigor. Our business, social work and education departments were the first to realize the value added for students."

Welch told Vogel he had the "perfect people" to head Wartburg West, and so Elaine and the late Rev. Mark Olson were named the inaugural leaders of the program from 1985-89. The Olsons worked closely with Dr. Herman Diers '49, now professor emeritus of religion, to establish a curriculum for students who ventured to the Mountain West.

"The vision from the college, the leadership of President Vogel and

wonderful experience, and our biggest challenge has been not to undo the work of those who came before us. It's been a privilege to be able to dream the next pieces and know that we have support from the administration when we do the dreaming."

President Jack R. Ohle recognizes the importance of the history of the program, as well as the significance of planning for generations of Wartburg students to come.

"The dream that President Vogel and former Deans of Faculty had 20 years ago is a reality now, and Nelson

Lis Erickson

CONNECTIONS – Marietta Schemmel, Rachel Zaccaro '07, and Jack Schemmel '53 exemplify the connections made between Denver alumni and current Wartburg West students.

learning, Fenner said her time at Wartburg West helped her discover her passions and establish a fulfilling career.

"The bottom line is that Wartburg educates more than the mind," Fenner said. "Wartburg educates the person as a whole. In and outside the classroom, the Wartburg community embraces, encourages, challenges and cultivates the human spirit. And it is through the development of this human spirit that your individual passions and your life's journey begin to unfold. Wartburg West is one of Wartburg's finest programs and a great example of how Wartburg fosters opportunities to connect and reconnect with those who keep the Wartburg spirit alive."

Erickson is associate director of Wartburg alumni and parent programs.

I DO – Dan Digmann '95 kisses his bride, Jennifer.

Let me tell you about my MS wedding

by Dan Digmann '95

Movie writers would never dream up a fairytale of two people with multiple sclerosis falling in love and living happily ever after. But Jennifer and I have been living this truest of love stories. We started a new chapter when we were married last year, Sept. 10, 2005.

MS brought us together

Combined, we've taken on this chronic illness for more than a dozen years. Jennifer was diagnosed eight years ago and claims an unwanted seniority over me by nearly 27 months. She has secondary-progressive MS. Mine is relapsing-remitting.

We met three years ago at a special National MS Society program called "Finding Your Buried Treasure." Jennifer was one of the small group leaders at this daylong program intended to help people with MS rediscover the goals and dreams they'd lost sight of in dealing with the rigors of everyday lives.

How convenient that a National MS Society program manager told me to sit at Jennifer's table. She thought Jennifer and I would have a lot to talk about because we both were younger and were both self-help group leaders.

We wound up talking more about other things: our respective fantasy football teams, how her dog had destroyed her Tom Petty hat, and my passion for Bruce Springsteen's music.

I fell in love with Jennifer the day we met. Periodic e-mail messages led to regular telephone calls. But one fateful Thursday night, I received a phone call from her brother, who told me they had taken Jennifer to the hospital.

Apparently MS felt it wasn't getting enough attention in our relationship.

The next step

That weekend I drove more than 200 miles roundtrip to visit Jennifer in the hospital as she recovered from a severe exacerbation. In the middle of a heart-to-heart conversation about where we thought our relationship was going, she let me know for sure in eight words.

"I think I want you to kiss me," she said as she bit her bottom lip.

Not believing what I had just heard, I sought more direction. "You mean, like, right now?"

Our relationship took off from there. Jennifer lived more than 90 minutes away from me, so for nearly three years we spent at least an hour on the phone each weeknight, and I'd make that 200-mile roundtrip to see her each weekend. On October 23, 2004, I asked Jennifer to be my wife.

The main event

Anyone who has ever planned a wedding knows it isn't simple. From caterers and bands to flowers and guest lists, there are so many details. And because most bridal magazines don't specialize in tips for planning accessible weddings, there were a lot of things we had to figure out on our own.

We held our ceremony and reception in the same hotel conference center. This limited scooter-to-van transfers and made things easier for our out-of-town guests and our friends who also have MS.

A late-morning service and early afternoon reception put us all one step ahead of MS-related fatigue, and a jazz quartet playing at the reception added a touch of class. It also thwarted the awkwardness of having to sit out the Hokey Pokey or the Chicken Dance. We avoided a cumbersome buffet line by having a sit-down lunch where wait staff served us all chicken parmesan.

And our honeymoon? We took a week-long trip to Toronto, where we saw the Blue Jays take on Jennifer's beloved Boston Red Sox.

From my MS fatigue and constant numbness to Jennifer's spasticity and regular Novantrone treatments, we willingly face every challenge the disease throws at us.

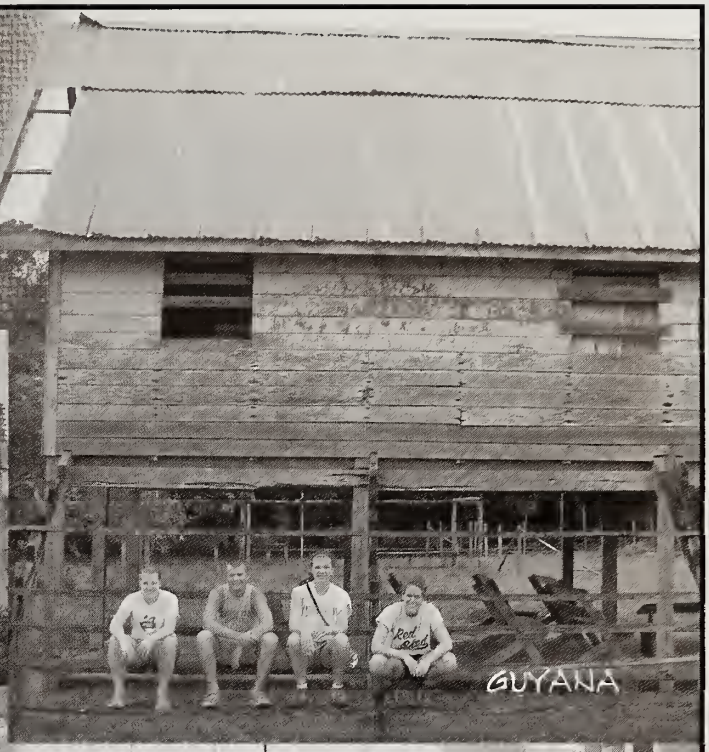
But the MS doesn't define who we are. And our love story continues.

Digmann wrote the above article for InsideMS, *a publication of the National MS Society (www.nationalmssociety.org). He is assistant director/publicleditorial, public relations and marketing, at Central Michigan University. He is a leader of the Gratiot County-area MS self-help group and a frequent* InsideMS *contributor.*

Dan's colleague, Robert Barclay, CMU director/photo and videography-public relations and marketing, took the photos that accompany this article.

NO HOKEY POKEY – Jennifer and Dan Digmann '95 both have multiple sclerosis. They avoided awkward dance situations at their wedding by employing a jazz quartet.

May Term Courses



OPEN WATER – While in Alaska, students studied the ecological impact to the state's environment. This was done, in part, while on boating trips. Pictured during one such trip are, from left, Diana Mullins '07 of Washington; Jamie Frantz '08 of Iowa City; Lisa Jestrab '07 of Waverly; and Amanda Weiss '06 of Rockwell City.

Travelogue: Alaska

Students learn about social issues through May Term course in Alaska

by Dr. Susan Kosché Vallem '66

Whether working at social services agencies or exploring the rich connections between wildlife and humans, students benefited greatly from a course that took them to Alaska during May Term.

Exploring and Service Learning in Alaska is a cultural immersion and service learning course that brought students into contact with native Alaskans and persons with disabilities. Students were headquartered in Anchorage, and they explored the culture and natural environment of Alaska.

The focus of the course was service learning at Hope Community Resources. Hope serves persons with disabilities throughout Alaska, from Barrow to Juneau. We worked at the headquarters in Anchorage.

Our first activity was to set up for Hope's big fundraiser, "Walk and Roll for Hope." The event is for people to walk, bike, rollerblade and wheelchair an 11-mile course through woods and along the Cook Inlet. Community members of all ages and those whom Hope supports participated. (Hope uses the term "persons Hope supports" rather than "client" or "consumers.")

Several Wartburg students rented bikes and completed the 11-mile course and back. Four students went instead with two persons whom Hope supports who are in wheelchairs. The two guys were in electric wheelchairs.

The first plan was to go four miles to the first rest stop. Not to be outdone, the guys insisted on going the full 11 miles and took off like shots in their electric wheelchairs. Our poor students had to run to keep up.

The Hope Theater Group, made

up of staff and persons Hope supports, invited the Wartburg students to participate in their medley of songs from *Grease.* Wartburg students dressed in 1950s fashions and joined in enthusiastically.

During the week, Wartburg students went to various homes to do yard work and prepare the Hope garden for planting.

Getting used to Alaska time and culture took some doing for our students. Time is a suggestion – not an absolute – and plans can change at a moment's notice. Our students see this way of working as disorganized; Alaskans, including Hope staff, see this as spontaneity. This proved to be a major cultural difference.

Our students did well in learning about persons with disabilities and made extra efforts to interact with the persons Hope supports. Hope staff members are anxious to have Wartburg students return as summer employees and work for Hope when they graduate. We have begun a win-win working relationship with Hope, and we continue to explore ways for more connections.

Twenty percent of Alaskans are Indians and Eskimos (or Inupiat). We spent a day at the Alaskan Native Heritage Museum. The facility is similar to Living History Farms in Urbandale, with displays and various native villages, art work and subsistence living. We learned the differences between Athabaskins, Tglinkets and Yupiks, listened to native music and viewed native games.

While in Anchorage, students climbed Flattop Mountain, which was still covered with snow. They even had to use a hand-pulled tram to cross a ravine. They visited the old mining town of Girdwood and the Alyeska ski resort. In addition, the students went hiking and saw many moose, dall sheep and bald eagles. Moose frequently appeared in yards where students were working, as approximately 1,000 moose roam freely around Anchorage.

Upon leaving Anchorage, we headed for Soldotna with a Kenai River float trip. Afterward, we headed for Homer. Students went sea kayaking, a highlight of the trip.

Alaska deals with many environmental issues related to natural resources including oil. A visit to the Pratt Museum gave us an introduction to the wildlife and economy of Alaska. The exhibit also showed the devastation of the Exxon oil spill and the 1965 Good Friday earthquake. Also at issue is the citizen fight against opening up a large mine that would destroy much of the land and wildlife habitat.

The highlight of Seward was the Kenai Fjord Wildlife cruise. Along the cliffs we saw numerous black bear and mountain goats. We closely encountered sea otters, harbor seals, steller sea lions, porpoise and humpback whales, along with puffins and many varieties of sea birds. The porpoise came along side the boat to play and raced back and forth along the boat. Another highlight was to get up close to a glacier and to listen and watch it calve as huge chunks of ice fell from the glacier into the water.

We visited the Sea Life Center to learn more about the rich marine wildlife of Alaska. The Sea Life Center conducts research and serves as a rescue and rehabilitation center for injured and orphaned sea mammals.

Some students climbed all or part of Mount Marathon. Two brave female students took a dip in the glacier-fed freezing Resurrection Bay. A dip in the hotel's hot tub was a fitting finish to the brief swim.

Other students went on a dog sled ride with an Iditarod racer. They got to play with Alaskan husky puppies and met one of the huskies that starred in the film *Eight Below.*

Included on the return trip to Anchorage was a visit to an Alaska wildlife refuge center, which cares for injured and orphaned land mammals. Students fed bananas to a moose and get close to three grizzly bears. They also saw musk ox, caribou, elk and reindeer. Alaska is also home to a certain type of bison that was reintroduced to Alaska after herds were decimated by miners and hunters. Reindeer herding was introduced to Alaska natives by the Norwegians.

Our final educational event was a visit to the Alaska Natural History museum. There we learned more about Alaskan native history and the variety of Indian groups and life styles, the Alaska gold rush, fishing and crabbing history, development of the oil pipeline and the importance of Alaska in World War II. The museum is home to a large gallery of older and contemporary white and native art.

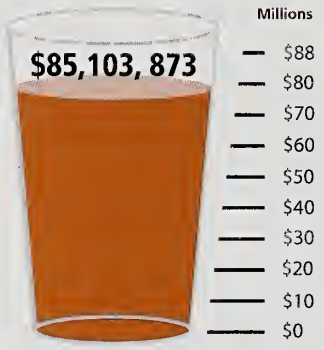
Vallem is chair of the social work department and taught the May Term course in Alaska.

Diana Mullins '07

LIFE CYCLE – While working at Hope Community Resources, the class participated in the "Walk and Roll for Hope" fundraiser. Some rented bicycles for the event, including, from left, Eric DeRue '07 of Cherokee; Katherine Dunn '08 of Eldora; Jamie Frantz '08 of Iowa City; Diana Mullins '07 of Washington; Jessica Archer '08 of Sioux Falls, S.D.; Brittania Cogan '08 of Hazel Green, Wis.; Dan Kittle, community partnerships coordinator; and Brian Wagner '07 of Dubuque.

ADVANCEMENT UPDATE

Campaign Wartburg will close with gala celebration



At Homecoming 2006, the college will mark the end of its most ambitious fundraising campaign with a gala celebration.

"We will thank the thousands of Campaign Wartburg donors who have made it possible to reach the goal and highlight all that has been made possible for current and future generations of Wartburg students by their generous gifts," said David Ostrander, vice president for institutional advancement.

As of August, campaign gifts and pledges exceed $85 million. More than 12,000 donors have made commitments.

"We are on track to reach the $88 million goal, but the last part of a campaign is always critical," said Ostrander. "Much work remains before the celebration; however, we are hopeful and confident that donors will step forward with 'last-minute' gifts to help us reach our target."

Lilly Endowment Inc. awards Wartburg $500,000 renewal grant

by Karris Golden '98

Lilly Endowment Inc. has awarded Wartburg a $500,000 renewal grant as part of its Programs for the Theological Exploration of Vocation project.

To date, the college's *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings Initiative* has received $2.5 million from the Endowment. In December 2002, the Indianapolis-based Endowment awarded Wartburg a $2 million grant for *DCCI*, a theological vocational program.

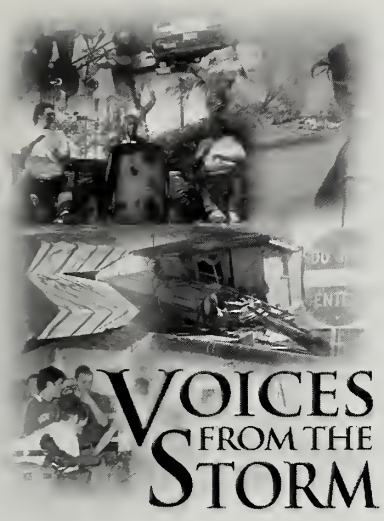
Wartburg is among 30 liberal arts institutions across the country that received renewal grants. Throughout the course of the PTEV project, the Endowment has granted more than $217 million to nearly 90 institutions nationwide.

According to the Endowment, the renewal grants come at a time when the campus programs are flourishing. However, it is also a critical time, and the infusion of new funds will help recipients continue their projects, said Dr. Lake Lambert, *DCCI* director and associate professor of religion.

The first grant underwrites Wartburg programs designed to prepare students as leaders in church and society, Lambert added. "This initiative touches every aspect of campus life," he explained. "Overall, the *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings Initiative* expanded opportunities for spiritual formation and vocational reflection and new curricular and co-curricular experiential programs. For example, the initiative was integral in the formulation of Wartburg's Center for Community Engagement, which organizes school partnerships, internships and service learning opportunities. In addition we have created new partnerships with Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque."

DCCI grew out of a comprehensive planning project that included faculty, staff, students and alumni, said Wartburg President Jack R. Ohle.

"We are very thankful for the continued support of the Endowment," Ohle said. "For nearly four years, the *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings Initiative* has supported the expansion of experiential learning and other opportunities for vocational discovery in academic and co-curricular programs. Students have benefited from our initiative and will continue to do so for many years thanks to this generous renewal grant."



IPTV to feature student-produced documentary

Iowa Public Television will broadcast segments of the student-produced documentary *Voices from the Storm.*

The broadcast will air on the statewide network at 9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29, the anniversary of the first day Hurricane Katrina struck the U.S. Gulf Coast.

The program will follow special editions of the acclaimed series *Nova* and *Frontline*, which will both focus on aspects of the Katrina story. Documentary makers include Travis Bockenstedt '09 of Strawberry Point; Kate Elliott '09 of Lamont; Ryan Hahn '08 of Cresco; Jimmy Vowell '07 of Nashua; Casey Luensmann '07 of Manchester; and Ada Walton '07 of Minneapolis, Minn. Jeff Stein, assistant professor and R. J. McElroy Chair in Communication Arts, served as faculty adviser for the project.

Students deliberately did not feature themselves in their documentary, choosing instead to focus on victims' stories. However, the one-hour IPTV program will incorporate the stories of the six students who created the documentary. It will also showcase the multitude of service efforts tied to Wartburg.

If you can't watch the program, it is available on DVD from the Wartburg Bookstore. Copies are $20, and all proceeds go toward hurricane relief. Consult the ad on the inside back cover of this magazine for contact information. Proceeds benefit the New Orleans Music Hall of Fame and Bethlehem Children's Center.

*View*points from the Board of Regents

Dr. Marilyn Brudi Flachman '60

Home: Westminster, Colo.
Hometown: Stockton, Ill.
Family: husband, Wilbur Flachman '60; daughter, Angela
Profession: library media specialist
Education: Bachelor of Arts degree, history, Wartburg, 1960; Master of Library Science, University of Denver, 1964; Doctor of Library Media Technology degree, University of Colorado, 1978

Establishing Wartburg West

Since the great majority of Wartburg students originate from rural and small-town Midwest communities, many were finding that their post-college careers would take them to major metropolitan areas to work and live. This was the situation for my husband and myself. As Wartburg graduates, we left rural Midwest Iowa and Illinois to live and work in the Denver metropolitan area – many years ago.

Wartburg's mission of "challenging and nurturing students for lives of leadership and service as a spirited expression of their faith and learning" is fulfilled when the college provides students with the opportunity to experience an urban environment.

A 'home away from home'

My husband and I are among the Wartburg alumni who help provide a home away from home for students at Wartburg West. We're committed to doing this because of the Wartburg students! Each term we meet dynamic, intelligent, involved and engaging students, only to discover that the next term brings forth more of these high caliber students.

20 years of excellence

The uniqueness comes from combining outstanding Wartburg students, dynamic Wartburg West directors, customized internships, involved local alumni and the Midwest "work ethic."

Wartburg West recently celebrated its 20th anniversary and noted that 512 students have experienced the Wartburg West program.

The role of the sciences

During the time of my involvement and prior to that as well, biology has been one of Wartburg's largest majors. Perhaps more impressive is that the placement rate of Wartburg graduates who want to go on to medical or dental school is well over 90 percent. Now Wartburg has a facility that will be the envy of most colleges and universities. That means incredible opportunities for students.

I wish I knew what it was that makes the graduate school acceptance rate of Wartburg science majors so high. I'm sure there are a lot of other colleges that would like to know, too. The proof is in the fact that year after year, graduates who apply are being accepted into those programs. The faculty and staff have made biology a premier program.

The light shines through

Alaina Akkerman '06

Saemann Student Center is awash with sunlight, as many windows and skylights illuminate its interior. One set of radiant windows shine light on an important part of Wartburg College's history: stained glass windows from Danforth Chapel.

With new wooden frames and a plaque describing their history, the stained glass windows now hang prominently across from Hagemann Castle Room.

The stained glass windows were installed in Danforth Chapel as part of the original 1955 Student Union. A gift from St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Treynor, the windows memorialize Egbert Wagner, Richard Wagner and Lemar Hartje, sons of the congregation who died in World War II.

According to the plaque, the three panels position Christianity at the center of a Christian liberal arts education, flanked by virtue and knowledge.

The windows are located near Lilly Reflection Room, a space dedicated to people of all faiths. The Reflection Room serves as a location for meditation, participation in Bible studies and prayer. The name recognizes a donation from the Lilly Endowment Inc.

"I am very pleased to see the windows hanging in the Student Center," said the Rev. Larry Trachte '66, college pastor and assistant professor of religion. "I remember when they hung in Danforth Chapel when I was a student here."

The windows are more visible now than what they were before, said Trachte. Originally, the windows were located on an outside wall of Danforth Chapel. When the Bookstore was added to the union, it was attached to the wall of the chapel. While the windows were backlit, they were only visible from inside.

"I believe the windows are in a great location," said Dr. Alexander Smith, vice president for student life and dean of students. "They are close to the Lilly Reflection Room and the Mensa. They carry on the tradition of Danforth."

Inside the reflection room is the original altar from Danforth Chapel. Approximately 20 chairs line the room, and the lights are on dimmers. A cross placed on the altar is a gift from Trachte. The room is also equipped with a sound system.

Outside the reflection room hangs a medallion created by Eva Leo, longtime Wartburg Seminary librarian. A German-born metal worker, Leo was commissioned in 1983 to create the medallion in honor of the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's birth.

Danforth Chapel was named to recognize an $8,000 grant from the Danforth Foundation, an organization dedicated to the growth of Christian faith in academic environments. The University of Iowa is one of many schools nationwide that is home to a Danforth Chapel.

"I am pleased the rich legacy of the Danforth Foundation encouraging spiritual growth will be continued at Wartburg," said Trachte.

Akkerman of Dike is an account executive for IowaBride.com.

The meaning behind the windows

Virtue:

Four cardinal virtues were conceived as ideals for youth. Fire quenched by a shower of rain symbolizes temperance as reason tempers the passion of youth. The oak leaf and acorns represent strength, courage and endurance. The scales symbolize justice and equality. A burning lamp signifies the illumination of life through wisdom.

Christianity:

The interwoven circle and triangle represent the Holy Spirit. Tablets of the Law symbolize the Old Testament. The earth, surmounted by the cross, represents the triumph of Christ as the central message of the New Testament. The Agnus Dei symbol depicts Christ as the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Knowledge:

The four traditional liberal arts courses of the medieval university were known as the Quadrivium. The sun, the moon and stars symbolize astronomy. The harp represents music. Basic computational symbols depict arithmetic. The compass symbolizes geometry.

Professors promoted, granted tenure

At its February meeting, the Wartburg Board of Regents approved tenure for four professors and promoted several members of the faculty.

All promotions take effect at the start of the 2006-07 academic year.

Those granted tenure include Barbara Fedeler, who was also promoted to associate professor of art; Dr. Penni Pier, who was promoted to associate professor of communication arts; and Dr. Brian Jones and Dr. Judith Jones, in a shared position, who were promoted to associate professor of religion.

The Rev. Dr. Walter "Chip" Bouzard, religion, and Dr. Eric Wachmann, music, were promoted to full professor. Those promoted from assistant to associate professor are the aforementioned faculty members and Dr. Kevin Fiene, education.

Fedeler earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Drake University and a Master of Fine Arts from the University of Arizona. She began teaching at Wartburg in 2000.

Brian Jones received a bachelor's degree from Point Loma College, Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary and a Ph.D. degree from Emory University.

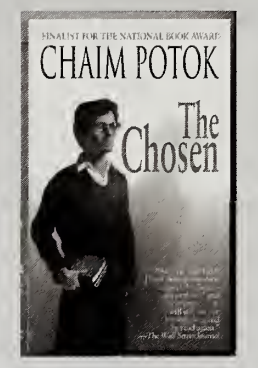
Judith Jones received a bachelor's degree from Point Loma College, Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary and a Ph.D. degree from Emory University. The Joneses joined the Wartburg faculty in 2000. She is an Episcopal priest and has a certificate in Anglican studies from the School of Theology at the University of the South.

Pier earned a bachelor's degree from Morehead State University, a master's degree from Southwest Missouri State University and a Ph.D. degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia. She joined the faculty in 2000.

Bouzard joined the Wartburg faculty in 1994. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Texas-Austin, Master of Divinity and Master of Theology degrees from Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary and a Ph.D. degree from Princeton Theological Seminary.

Wachmann earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree from the University of Ottawa, a Master of Music degree from the University of Michigan and a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of North Carolina-Greensboro. He joined the faculty in 1994.

A former public school teacher and administrator, Fiene earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Central College and Master of Arts in Education and Ed.D. degrees from the University of Northern Iowa. He joined the Wartburg faculty in 2001.



Read *The Chosen* with first-year students

Chaim Potok's *The Chosen* has been selected for Readings in Common, Wartburg's Inquiry Studies reading program.

All incoming first-year students will read and discuss the book as part of orientation and Inquiry Studies courses. A group of faculty and students select the book each year.

Readings in Common coordinators encourage faculty, staff, alumni and parents to read *The Chosen* as well.

The Chosen illustrates a father-son relationship and explores elements of Jewish culture. Opening in 1940s Brooklyn, two boys of different backgrounds have an explosive, life-altering encounter during a baseball game.

Fiene earns teaching award

Students bestowed the John O. Chellevold Student Award for Excellence in Teaching and Professional Service on Dr. Kevin Fiene, associate professor of education.

Fiene received the award at the 13th annual Excellence in Teaching and Scholarship Convocation April 11, and he served as keynote speaker. Students' scholastic achievements and research projects were also recognized.

The teaching award includes a stipend. Faculty members are selected by student votes. Other nominees included Dr. Cynthia Bane, assistant professor of psychology; Dr. Shawn Ellerbroek, assistant professor of chemistry and biochemistry; Jeff Stein, R.J. McElroy Chair and executive-in-residence in communication arts; and Dr. Dan Walther, associate professor of history.

Fiene teaches education, inquiry studies and liberal studies courses. He also teaches a popular course that immerses students of all class years and disciplines in the culture of New York City schools.

Wartburg Choir raises funds for South African school

by Alaina Akkerman '06

The Wartburg Choir dedicated the 2005-06 school year to raise funds for the Simon Estes Music High School in Cape Town, South Africa. To date, the choir has raised nearly $3,000.

The fundraising idea began in May 2005, when the choir toured Europe and South Africa. While the group was in South Africa, students had the opportunity to perform for and watch the students perform at the Simon Estes Music High School.

According to Travis Wilkins, Wartburg Choir president, the experience was emotional. "As we were leaving, the students were on their lunch break, but we realized that there was no food," said Wilkins. "The school has a lunch hour but no lunch to provide to these students. Many of these students do not eat often, as they come from families and homes that live in complete poverty."

Wilkins said the school serves approximately 450 high school-aged students. Students are required to pay minimal tuition to attend and find their own transportation. Many students walk to school from their nearby poverty stricken neighborhoods.

After the choir returned, Wilkins contacted Simon Estes, Wartburg distinguished professor and artist in residence, to discuss ideas to benefit the school. Estes and Wilkins decided fundraising for food would be the most beneficial to students.

To raise funds, Wilkins coordinated a benefit concert April 2. At the concert, both the Wartburg Choir and Tipton High School Choir performed, and a slide show of the Simon Estes Music High School was shown.

The concert raised $1,490.53, and the choir was also awarded $500 from Wartburg Student Senate.

To donate money, make checks payable to Wartburg College in care of Simon Estes School Fund to Wartburg College Music Department, 100 Wartburg Blvd., P.O.Box 1003, Waverly, IA 50677-0903.

Due to the nature of the fund, donations cannot be given for tax credit.

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Faculty, staff anniversaries recognized

Wartburg faculty and staff retirees and those celebrating anniversaries were honored May 26.

RETIREMENTS

Karen Heidemann, production, Dining Services (1995-2005)
Dr. Stephen Main, professor of biology, now professor emeritus, (1972-2006)
Sharon Ruth Moeller, office coordinator, music (1973-2005)
Dr. Linda Wolf, director of international student programs/senior lecturer in English and modern languages (1998-2006)

40 YEARS

Dr. Ronald Alexander, professor of philosophy and religion
Nancy Bingham, data coordinator, Controller's Office
Dr. Warren Zemke, professor of chemistry/Otto Professor of Chemistry

30 YEARS

Tom Hubbard, student employment coordinator, Dining Services
Susan Lenius, office coordinator, Counseling and Campus Security

25 YEARS

Jim Anderson, groundskeeper/telephone technician
Dr. Josef Breutzmann, professor of computer science/mathematics

20 YEARS

Pat Condon, maintenance, Manors
Don Johnson, maintenance, Grossmann and The Residence
Linda Moeller, director of communication and marketing
Dr. Richard Schneider, professor of English
The Rev. Dr. Fred Strickert, professor of religion/Slife Professor in Humanities
Sheryl Tiedt, office assistant, Dining Services

15 YEARS

Peter Armstrong, associate dean of students/director of residential life
The Rev. Bonita Bock, co-director, Wartburg West
The Rev. Nelson Bock, co-director, Wartburg West
Peggy Brase, maintenance, Whitehouse Business Center and Wartburg Chapel
Ann Killion, office coordinator, business department
Jim Miller, head wrestling coach/instructor in physical education
Dr. Todd Reiher, professor of psychology/assistant dean for faculty development
Linda Smith, campus visit coordinator, Admissions
Dr. Janice Yee, professor of economics/co-director, Global and Multicultural Studies

10 YEARS

Richard Betts, Copy Center coordinator
David Fredrick, associate director of admissions, international recruitment
Gary Grace, vice president for administration
Dr. Lake Lambert III, project director, *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings*, associate professor of religion, Board of Regents Chair in Ethics
Marian Melcher, housekeeper, Luther Hall/Old Main
Glade Mogle, security officer
Penny Prior, development officer
Gerald Tietz, plumber/HVAC
Dr. Daniel Walther, associate professor of history/chair, history department
Dawn Woods, housekeeper, Founders/Clinton

Wartburg celebrates 154th Commencement

HONORED – Social workers Dr. James Lubben '67 and Dr. Elizabeth Clark and teachers Jon Prottsman and Steve Strong were honored at Commencement in May. Pictured, from left: Fred Hagemann '67, Board of Regents chairman; Prottsman; Lubben; Clark; Strong; and President Jack R. Ohle.

More than 360 May and August graduates participated in the college's 154th Commencement May 28.

Todd Stanhope '06, a biology major from Washburn, spoke on behalf of the Class of 2006. "As we become more involved in changing the world around us, these connections will become increasingly more important," he said. "We've all heard the clichè, 'It's not about what you know, it's about who you know.'... My experience has been that good connections can certainly help. Among you here today are more than 300 good connections."

President Jack R. Ohle conferred honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degrees on two social workers – Dr. James Lubben '67, Ph.D., and Dr. Elizabeth Clark, Ph.D.

A noted social gerontologist, Lubben holds the inaugural Louise McMahon Ahearn University Chair and directs the doctoral program in the Graduate School of Social Work at Boston College.

In addition, he is the national director of the Hartford Doctoral Fellows Program in Geriatric Social Work and serves on the National Program Advisory Board for the Hartford Faculty Scholars Program. He served for 12 years on the National Advisory Committee on Gerontology and Geriatrics, a committee mandated by Congress, for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. He developed the Lubben Social Network Scale, an abbreviated measure designed for both research and clinical use among older populations. The scale has been translated into many languages and employed in studies across the globe.

Clark is the executive director of the National Association of Social Workers in Washington, D.C., which represents more than 150,000 social workers in 56 chapters throughout the United States and abroad. In her role as NASW head, she has testified numerous times on Capitol Hill on behalf of children in foster care; in support of cancer research and services; on the need for mental health services following Sept. 11 and the most recent hurricanes; and for increased funding for social work research.

Two high school teachers were also honored for their contributions to graduating seniors. Jon Prottsman of HLV Community High School in Victor and Steve Strong of Washington High School in Cedar Rapids received the first Wartburg Outstanding High School Teacher Awards. The purpose of the award is to honor teachers who have inspired students in Wartburg's graduating class to pursue a college education.

Prottsman teaches high school and junior high school science. He was nominated by Caroline Kinzenbaw '06 of Ladora. Prottsman is in his 34th and final year of teaching.

Strong was nominated by Stephanie Baty '06 of Cedar Rapids. He has taught mathematics and computer science for 25 years.

Prior to Commencement, the college hosted Baccalaureate in Neumann Auditorium. The Rev. Dr. Steven Ullestad '75, presiding bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, delivered the sermon "Keep Them Safe."

His daughter, Kara '06, became the third and final of Ullestad's children to graduate from Wartburg. She graduated *magna cum laude* with a degree in social work.

What are you reading?

"In my free time, I have been wading through the Patrick O'Brian series of historical fiction novels. The film, *Master and Commander* with Russell Crowe, was very loosely based on O'Brian's books. Dr. Daniel Black [professor of physical and engineering science] got me started on these books a few years ago, and I've been hooked ever since."

– Dr. Denis Drolet, chair of the chemistry and engineering science department

Worth Repeating

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Karris Golden

Dr. Elizabeth Clark, left, and Dr. James Luben '67

I would be particularly pleased if my honor might encourage today's Wartburg graduates to also dream what may seem impossible. With a Wartburg education and hard work, such big dreams can become reality. A Wartburg education gives you the tools to excel. 'Be Orange' now and into the future. The world will take notice.

– Dr. James Lubben '67, who received an honorary doctorate at Commencement May 28

We went with the intent that we would rescue them, but instead, the opposite happened; they rescued us.

– Shantel Leary '08 of Brookings, S.D., leader of the Phoenix, Ariz., service trip, where students volunteered for Phoenix Neighborhood Ministries and worked with youth at high risk of drug addiction, teen pregnancy, violent activity and educational difficulties

I received my own bachelor's degree in social work from the University of Pittsburgh in 1972, and since that time, I have always been proud to be a social worker. ... I want to encourage those of you graduating today to fully 'live the learning' that you have received here and to hold true to the values you have acquired here during your Wartburg educational experience. Whatever your path after today—whether that of a teacher, a business person, an artist, an engineer, a scientist or a social worker—let *your* life speak, and be the voice for those who are unable to speak for themselves.

– Dr. Elizabeth Clark, who received an honorary doctorate at Commencement May 28

Karris Golden

Linda Benson '68 and the Rev. Larry Trachte '66

I had a passion to work for the church when I was in high school. Throughout the scripture, God promises to see us through our futures. Sometimes we're not sure where all this is going. There are lots of questions, and that's OK. God is steady, and he is waiting.

– Linda Bensen '68, reflecting on 37 years as a youth leader at Trinity Lutheran Church in Oak Lawn, Ill., during the April 3 chapel service, where she was named "Parish Worker of the Month"

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Dr. Kevin Fiene

I always believe the best lies ahead; something is always going to challenge us to grow, to improve and to be better people. Whatever you choose to do, do your best and do it with a passion for making a positive difference. I believe with everything in me that you will make a difference, not entirely due to talent or circumstance, but rather because everyone makes some type of difference. Your choice is whether it's positive or negative. I believe we get to choose which one, just as we get to choose what kind of day we have. We cannot control everything that happens, and you can be sure life throws all of us curveballs. But you do control how you react.

– Dr. Kevin Fiene, assistant professor of education, speaking April 11 at the Excellence in Teaching and Scholarship Convocation. Fiene received the John D. Chellevold Student Award for Teaching and Professional Service.

We all have opportunities. We have so many in this country. I hope I can just encourage you to take advantage of your opportunities. You're making them right now.

– Former Iowa Gov. Robert Ray during his speech "Character Counts," delivered at the joint Graven Award and Leadership Convocation Feb. 21

Callings Initiative

Initiative continues to move forward

Three years after Wartburg's *Discovering and Claiming our Callings* initiative (DCCI) began with a $2 million grant from Lilly Endowment, Inc., the time has come to assess, evaluate, and look forward to sustaining the growth accomplished through the *Callings* initiatives.

In May, the college received word that it will receive a $500,000 matching grant from Lilly Endowment to continue this important work.

"We're moving forward, building on the initiatives we've begun," said Dr. Lake Lambert, *DCCI* project director, who led the team that drafted the funding proposal. He outlined the accomplishments of the past three years under the following points.

- **Create a mentoring community at Wartburg College**
  The college has developed several opportunities for student peer mentoring to help students adjust to college life, improve retention, and encourage discussion about personal goals. Several professional development opportunities have equipped faculty and staff members for work as mentors. The Pathways Center is implementing a plan for faculty adviser development that encourages advisers to see themselves as mentors as well as academic planners.

  "We're now turning our attention to coaches," explained Lambert. "More than 40 percent of the student body participates in varsity athletics, and coaches are powerful role models, especially for young men, so we want to develop programs to support and encourage them."

- **Support students interested in church vocations**
  Wartburg graduates often go on to seminary for further study to become pastors. Others go directly to service as church youth ministers, church music directors, and church camp professional staff members.

  "We will continue our long tradition, offering students the opportunity to visit seminaries, assisting with the candidacy process, connecting students with similar interests, and offering events that foster further vocational reflection and understanding," said Dr. Kathryn Kleinhans, chair of the religion and philosophy deptartment.

- **Establish an experiential "center" on campus**
  The Center for Community Engagement (CCE) opened in August as a culmination of this *Callings* initiative goal. The CCE houses internship coordinator Jo Dorrance, school partnerships coordinator Joan Trebon, and community partnerships coordinator Dr. Dan Kittle.

  "The CCE has surpassed our expectations as a nucleus for experiential education and support to students and faculty alike," said Dr. Ferol Menzel, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty. "Through this center, students have more opportunities than ever to explore vocation."

Lambert said other important *Callings* initiatives have also been well received, including public scholarship grants, faculty development, parent programs, conferences, and speakers.

With continued and sustained support these initiatives will "help make vocation a more central part of the Wartburg College experience and help us effectively accomplish our mission as a college of the church," Lambert concluded.

Faculty, staff to explore heritage and calling

Twenty Wartburg faculty and staff will travel to Germany in July for a study seminar on "Wartburg's Heritage and Our Work as Educators." Participants will visit Wittenberg, where Luther taught; Eisenach, site of Wartburg Castle; and Neuendettelsau, home of Wilhelm Löhe, the missionary whose work led to the founding of Wartburg College. Drs. Kathryn Kleinhans and Lake Lambert will lead the group in reflecting on how the Lutheran heritage of education, vocation, and service can inform the work of the college today.

Initiative supports variety o

The CCE staff includes, left to right: Joan Trebon, school partnerships coordinator; Dr. Dan Kittle, community partnerships coordinator; and Jo Dorrance, internship coordinator.

Center for Community Engagement – up and running!

Careful planning, hard work, and vision came to fruition Aug. 1, when the new Center for Community Engagement (CCE) opened its doors at Wartburg College. The CCE houses four new staff members, Joan Trebon, school partnership coordinator; Dan Kittle, community partnership coordinator; Jo Dorrance, internship coordinator; and Mary Foy, office coordinator.

The center coordinates service trips, internships, student teaching, the Community Builders program, Washington Center programs, Wartburg West, public scholarship, and assists faculty in course-based service learning. It grew out of a Spring 2004 faculty task force convened by President Jack R. Ohle to study curricular and co-curricular programs with elements of community engagement.

"The response has been remarkable," said Dr. Lake Lambert, project director of the *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings* initiative. "We are doing more things more quickly with more faculty and community partners in the first year than I ever imagined."

"The vision of Wartburg students exploring and living lives of leadership is a reality through these outreach opportunities," said Lambert.

Dr. Fred Waldstein, director of the Wartburg Institute for Leadership Education and integral catalyst in the creation of the CCE agreed. The CCE is now providing a prominent location for programs in leadership education.

"The creation of the CCE is testimony to the commitment of Wartburg College to prepare its students for lives of leadership and service," he said. "These experiences not only enrich our students' learning, but they also enrich the communities of which our students are a part."

Peer mentoring helps incoming students

Peer mentoring through the College Achievement Program (CAP) Mentoring Communities helps first-year students adjust to college life.

Established two years ago by Pathways Center director Vicki Edelnant, the program focuses on academic and social success skills and Dreams, Values, and Impacts (DVIs).

"The goal is to encourage incoming students to start asking themselves the bigger questions, such as what do I want to accomplish in my four years at Wartburg, and what factors will affect those goals," said Melissa James, associate for discernment and mentoring.

CAP matches selected upperclass mentors with five first-year students. They connect on a weekly basis, and mentors are available at any time for questions. Students may talk to their mentors about study skills, time management, or dorm life. In addition, mentors encourage students to take advantage of the many resources available to them on campus.

"The students feel like they have a place to go to talk about everything from personal problems to where to go for help with financial aid," James said.

Ten mentors participated in the CAP program this year, and the goal is to increase first-year student participation in 2006-07. Previously, incoming students have received information at SOAR Days and through the mail before coming to campus in the fall. Program coordinators believe they can increase participation by reaching students even earlier in the process.

"The program can really help new students with the difficult transition to college," James said.

Students participate in retreats

Retreats offered through the *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings* initiative give students time to reflect on their goals.

A church vocations retreat, "Exploring Ministry in and through the City," takes students to Chicago during Tour Week or Fall Break. Participants identify an area to pursue individually, such as environmental justice or sexuality in the church, and then visit sites related to those issues. As a group, they visited two churches with diverse backgrounds.

"The best part of the trip was comparing the two churches that we visited," said Chelsea Forbrook '07 of St. Cloud, Minn. "One was a small African-American Lutheran church in the inner city, and the other was a non-denominational mega-church in the suburbs.

"After attending these services, our group took time to discuss and process the churches' different approaches to mission, hospitality, and worship style. It taught me a lot about how organizations and churches should be run if they want to be more inclusive and diverse."

Another group spends a night at Camp EWALU in Strawberry Point for a "Perspectives" retreat.

"The students are given the time and opportunity to answer the questions that everyone is asking but nobody has the time to answer," said Melissa James, associate for discernment and mentoring.

Youth Leaders in Chicago

High school students participating in the Diakonia Youth Leaders program and their Wartburg mentors traveled to Chicago for a service project at Holy Family Lutheran Church last summer. This year's Summer Institute was held June 12-18.

"The discussion helped show me that vocation is not something that is set in stone and you are stuck with the rest of your life. It is ever-changing, along with you," said Lauren Kahler '07 of Lindsborg, Kan.

"Examining life and learning what keeps you from your dreams or even discussing what you dream isn't something we do very often," said Bethany Duncan '06 of Alden. " It's nice to get a chance to do that."

student, faculty endeavors

Wartburg students respond

The Wartburg campus community found a number of ways to respond to the devastation created by Hurricane Katrina. In the immediate aftermath, students, faculty, and staff donated money and supplies to organizations such as the American Red Cross and FEMA. Later, students responded to Wartburg President Jack R. Ohle's request for a joint effort and established U-Knight, comprised of individuals and student organization representatives who want to get involved.

U-Knight planned fundraisers and events to cover the entire 2005-06 academic year.

Wartburg student leaders celebrate the successful fundraiser for Bethlehem Children's Center, New Orleans, La.

The initiative began with a kick-off in early November that introduced the group and included Wartburg students directly affected by the hurricane. The Forensics Team and EARTH organized a backpack drive, Manna and Campus Ministry hosted a prayer vigil, the Business Senior Seminar sponsored t-shirt sales, and various speakers focused on awareness and education.

Funds raised during Winter Term through a Student Senate Waves of Love dinner, Entertainment ToKnight's Battle of the Unsigned Artists, and the Volunteer Action Center's Celebrity Basketball Game all went toward Katrina relief.

Proceeds benefit Bethlehem Children's Center, which serves children ages 5-17 who have conduct disorders or have experienced physical and sexual abuse. Located in New Orleans, Bethlehem was "likely damaged beyond repair," according to the September 2005 edition of *Lutheran Social Services News*. The children it serves were relocated to Bokencamp Children's Center in Corpus Christi, Texas. Two student volunteer groups traveled to Bokencamp in March as part of Wartburg service trips and another group served there during Tour Week.

New course on vocation added to curriculum

Next year, Wartburg will offer a new course for students interested in discovering their callings.

Christian Vocation (RE 330) will offer critical study of Christian vocation and an opportunity to reflect on the meaning of vocation in terms of family, work, citizenship, and faith.

"This course is one of the best ways to connect to students and involve them in in-depth discussions about their vocations," said Dr. Lake Lambert, project director for the *Callings* initiative. He and Dr. Kit Kleinhans, professor of religion, will teach the course.

Professor accepts new position

Wartburg College bid farewell in December to Dr. Anna Sims Bartel, director of experiential education and visiting professor of liberal studies. Bartel, an East Coast native, is now associate director of the Harward Center for Community Partnership in Lewiston, Maine, where she oversees a staff of nine.

"I will miss Anna's enthusiasm and rigor," said Dr. Ferol Menzel, vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty. "She challenged us with her intellect and her deep understanding of experiential learning."

Grants fund research to address public issues

Five faculty members received Wartburg's first Public Scholarship grants last summer. The grants fund projects that involve students and community partners in solving a public problem through collaborative efforts. The faculty recipients submitted research proposals that would directly benefit a community partner in the Waverly area.

Dr. Peter Nash, visiting professor of religion and special assistant to the president for global communities, and Dr. Kathy Kremer, assistant professor of community sociology, involved two students in researching the topic, "Why African-American students are underrepresented in the three major post-secondary education institutions in Iowa."

Marjorie O'Konski, assistant professor of music therapy, and Dr. Cynthia Bane, assistant professor of psychology, involved two Wartburg music majors in studying, "Why the use of PSE, a neurologic music therapy technique, promotes better adherence to exercises among long-term care facility residents."

Dr. Tammy Faux, assistant professor of social work, and two Wartburg social work students worked with the Church Row Neighborhood Association (CRNA) in Waterloo to research and assess specific needs of residents in a designated Waterloo area and, based on the results, to explore grant opportunities to address the needs.

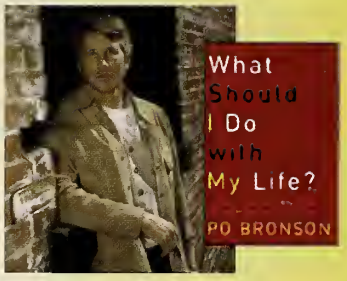
Faculty explore integrative learning

More than 40 Wartburg faculty attended a one-week workshop in August focusing on integrative learning and teaching for the common good. Facilitated by Dr. Anna Bartel, director of experiential education, the workshop challenged faculty to explore why they teach and if their methods match their purpose.

Bartel said the willingness of so many Wartburg faculty members to explore and embrace new teaching and learning ideas is an outstanding reflection on their desire to fulfill Wartburg's mission.

"We discussed different ways to meet the goals of the classrooms integrating ideas of experiential learning," she explained. "Curriculum must walk a path. It must be interconnected, so the combination of all the classes brings students along to the desired learning outcome."

Author at Wartburg Oct. 3



Book Review

Po Bronson *What Should I Do with My Life?*

Po Bronson began working on *What Should I Do with My Life* because he found he was asking this question of himself more and more often. He set out to find answers by traveling across America and talking to people who also struggled to answer this question in their own lives.

Bronson's book is filled with inspirational, true stories of people who found meaningful answers and larger truths about their lives by overcoming fear and confusion. He interviewed people of all ages, classes, and professions, those starting out and those starting second careers. Their stories created an illuminating and interesting book.

"(An) elevated career guide…Brimming with stories of sacrifice, courage, commitment and sometimes, failure, the book will support anyone pondering a major life choice or risk without force-feeding them pat solutions."

– Publishers Weekly

Po Bronson will speak at a Wartburg College Convocation Oct.3, 2006. The event begins at 11:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

Interested in reading about vocation?

The following "top 10" books address topics related to the *Callings* initiative and can be found at Wartburg's Vogel Library or at local libraries and bookstores.

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Daloz, Laurent A. Parks, Cheryl H. Keen, James P. Keen, and Sharon Daloz Parks. *Common Fire: Leading Lives of Commitment in a Complex World.* Boston: Beacon Press, 1996.

Hardy, Lee. *The Fabric of this World: Inquiries into Calling, Career Choice, and the Design of Human Work.* Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1990.

Hochschild, Arlie Russell. *The Time Bind: When Work Becomes Home and Home Becomes Work.* New York: Metropolitan Books, 1997.

John Paul II, Pope. *On Human Work.* Washington, D.C.: United States Catholic Conference, 1981.

Mahan, Brian J. *Forgetting Ourselves on Purpose: Vocation and the Ethics of Ambition.* San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2002.

Nash, Laura and Scotty McLennan. *Church on Sunday, Work on Monday: The Challenge of Fusing Christian Values with Business Life.* San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2001.

Palmer, Parker. *Let Your Life Speak: Listening for the Voice of Vocation.* San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2000.

Schuurman, Douglas J. *Vocation: Discerning Our Callings in Life.* Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2004.

Sullivan, William M. *Work and Integrity: The Crisis and Promise of Professionalism in America.* New York: Harper, 1995.

Program fosters music leadership in churches

Wartburg is now involved in a partnership program between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Episcopal Church USA that equips lay leaders for leading worship and music in their congregations.

The Leadership Program for Musicians (LPM) Serving Small Congregations is a two-year program of seminars leading to the Presiding Bishop's Certificate in Music Ministry. Participants worship together, receive instruction, build relationships, and return to their congregations with increased vocational awareness and musical skill. They have a heightened commitment to music ministry and an increased sense of purpose as lay ministers.

The program includes five weekend seminars each year, and participants complete seven courses

- Leadership of Congregational Song (with organ, piano, voice, or guitar tracks)
- Resources for Effective Music Ministry
- Hymnody of the Christian Church
- Philosophy of Church Music
- Principles of Choral Leadership
- Liturgy and Music: Foundations for Christian Worship
- Teaching New Music to the Congregation.

Wartburg's program is one of the largest in the country, with 18 participants, who are forming networks as they share ideas and experiences that help them in their work.

In the first year of the program, seminars have included lively discussions, and participants have expressed appreciation at how the program is already positively impacting their work.

Wartburg faculty members involved in the program are Dr. Karen Black, college organist; Dr. Judith Jones, assistant professor of religion; and Dr. Paul Torkelson, professor of music. Others on the LPM faculty are Mark Baumann, Thomas Schattauer, Roy Carroll, Bruce Kotowich, John Ylvisaker, Solveig Gregory, Melanie Moll, and Marion Miller.

The program is funded by participating congregations and the *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings* initiative.

We stopped in the city of Nicea, which is where the Nicean council met and came up with a proclamation of faith we now call the Nicean Creed. We visited the ancient building where the council met. It is unbelievable to think that the Nicean Creed was written right there! [A member of our group] commented that people make a big deal about visiting Elvis's Graceland residence, but how much cooler is it that this place where a proclamation of faith was conceptionalized still exists!

– From the May Term blog of Tyler Vachta '08 of Cresco, who traveled to Turkey with the Rev. Dr. Walter "Chip" Bouzard, associate professor of religion (www.wartburg.edu/blogs/tyler.html)

If you think that something is wrong with your child or something's not quite right, go with your gut – your parental gut. Keep on it.

– Amy Jensen Cooper '95 of Strawberry Point in the (Waterloo) *Courier* article "Health discovery: Family's struggle with diagnosis featured on Discovery Channel." Her daughter, Maia, is unable to digest proteins and was featured on *Mystery Illness*.

When I signed up for the trip, I thought I was looking to learn about the world and other cultures. What I found was...well...somewhere between the sadness of overwhelming poverty and the beauty of the human spirit – I found myself.

– Annie Reiher '06 of Allison, writing in the new Wartburg Admissions "Facebook" about her May Term class in Namibia and South Africa with the Rev. Larry Trachte '66, college pastor. The class also visited the Wartburg Castle. Read the blog (www.wartburg.edu/blogs/annie.html)

Karris Golden

Lena Williams

I often say perception is reality. Then I have to spend the next few minutes explaining what I mean.

– *NY Times* writer Lena Williams speaking at Convocation March 21. Williams is author of *It's the Little Things: Everyday Interactions That Anger, Annoy, and Divide the Races*, which was the topic of her address.

I've learned as much from students during these sessions as anything I've ever done here.

– President Jack R. Ohle, in reference to his participation in the Phoenix, Ariz., service trip during Winter Break 2006

Karris Golden

The Rev. Dr. Steven Ullestad '75 and daughter Kara '06

I ask the graduates to remain seated while the faculty, administration, staff and regents that have cared for you for four years stand and are joined in standing by the parents, family and friends who have cared for you for a lifetime. Please stand and extend your arms and your hands in a gesture of 'letting go,' entrusting you to God, yet with open arms that will always welcome you home when you need a safe haven. It is the same gesture that we offered the day we walked you to kindergarten and when we drove you to this place, we now offer you again this day. We extend our arms and join with Jesus as we pray together, 'Keep them safe.' We read God's Word and hear God's call to you to use your God-given gifts and talents for faithful service to others – the poor, the oppressed – and we pray together, 'Keep them safe.' We echo Christ's prayer and hear the 'so that the world may know our oneness in Christ and know the love of God' and pray, 'Keep them safe. Keep them safe.' 'Keep them safe,' so that the world may know God's amazing, overpowering, redeeming love for all people and for all of creation. Lord, 'Keep them safe.'

– The Rev. Dr. Steven Ullestad '75, presiding bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod of the ELCA, giving the sermon at Baccalaureate May 28, where his youngest daughter, Kara '06, was among the graduating class

8 slated for 2006 Athletic Hall of Fame induction

Wartburg's athletic history will be showcased Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Hall of Fame induction ceremony as part of 2006 Homecoming festivities.

The eight-member class will join the hall during a banquet in Saemann Student Center. The group will also be honored during the Wartburg-Loras football game in Walston-Hoover Stadium earlier that day.

Members of 2006 Athletic Hall of Fame class include:

KAREN BAUMGARTNER ROGERS '86

Baumgartner set a strong standard for women's track and field and cross country. She was a seven-time letter-winner between the two sports, a team Most Valuable Athlete in cross country in 1983 and in track and field in 1985 and 1986 and qualified for nationals in track in 1985 and 1986.

A two-time all-Iowa Conference cross country honoree and two-time champion in the 1986 league track and field championships, Baumgartner still runs. She has been named the Springfield, Ill., Road Runner of the Year 10 times since 1988. Baumgartner is a first-grade teacher and she and her husband, Jay, reside in Springfield.

SCOTT BECKER '83

A four-year letterman for the Wartburg wrestling program from 1980-83, Becker was a four-time national qualifier and won Iowa Conference championships in 1981 and 1983 for the late Dr. Dick Walker's squads. His high-water mark at nationals was fourth place in 1983, earning him All-American honors.

Becker never lost a match in IIAC dual competition. He lost only two matches in league tournament competition and lost only one match at home due to an injury. He won the Gregorian Award at the 1983 national championships for the most falls in the least time. Becker lives in Gilbertville and is a loan officer at Farmers State Bank.

BRAD BOWMAN '85

Bowman starred in two sports at Wartburg from 1981-85, earning all-Iowa Conference honors in football three times and lettering in track and field twice. He was also an all-American defensive back on the gridiron and was a member of three teams that finished with seven-or-more wins under the late Dr. Don Canfield.

Brad and his wife, Susan (Huth '84), reside in Woodbury, Minn., where he is a controller for Dorsey and Whitney LLP International Law Firm. He remains involved with athletics as a coach for his children's soccer, basketball and baseball teams.

AL BUENNING '64

Buenning was a four-year letterman for head basketball coach Buzz Levick's teams from 1960-64. He concluded his career with 981 points and 944 rebounds in 93 games. He still holds the single-game rebound record with a remarkable 34 boards against rival Luther during the 1963-64 campaign.

Al and his wife, Janice (Howard '65), still play an integral role at the college, where he serves as a senior development officer. They reside in Evergreen, Colo.

SHON COOK '91

The single-season and career leader in softball earned run average, Cook was a four-time letter-winner for the Knights from 1988-91. She earned academic All-American honors, second team all-Iowa Conference and team Most Valuable Player honors in 1991.

Shon and her husband, Eric Stevens, reside in Twin Lake, Mich., where she is a partner with the law firm of Williams, Hughes and Cook, PLLC.

JON DAWLEY '94

Dawley put up impressive numbers in the Wartburg wrestling room from 1990-94. He finished with a 137-12 career record that included four Iowa Conference individual championships, four letters, four NCAA Division III All-American honors and no losses against league competition. During his sophomore season, the Knights won the first of their current 13 consecutive IIAC titles.

Currently a banker, he also farms. He and his wife, Laurie (Demro '95), live in rural Walford.

BECKY EBERT HOLT '84

In four years with the Knights' women's track and field program, Ebert earned the first female All-American honor for the college in 1982, placing second in the high jump. She concluded her career with three top 10 finishes nationally in the high jump, two conference championships in the event and the current school record of 5 feet, 10 inches.

She and her husband, Ray, reside in Monona. Becky teaches business education at MFL-Monona High School, where she is also an assistant girls track coach.

DR. KYLE KREINBRING '91

A four-time letterman on the gridiron for the late Dr. Don Canfield, Kreinbring garnered all-Iowa Conference and academic all-district honors twice, academic and playing All-American honors once and was the team leader in tackles and interceptions in 1989 and 1990. He played with three teams that finished .500 or higher, including a 9-1 campaign during his senior season.

Kyle and his wife, Christina, reside in Coal Valley, Ill. He is a doctor of advanced radiology in the Quad Cities area.

Women's soccer squad enjoys German adventure

by Mark Adkins '90

Six days in Germany and two days in the Netherlands in late April provided members of the 2006 Wartburg women's soccer team a first-hand look at history, a new culture and their beloved sport.

"Soccer is so much bigger over there," said Karelin Gannon '08 of Davenport. "As an example, one of the teams we played made it to the European Cup final earlier this year. The players are so aggressive. They send five or six players at a time to the net offensively. We do that to some degree but not on every chance like they do."

Wartburg ended 0-3 on the exhibition match portion of the excursion, falling to European Cup finalists FFC Frankfurt and two other local club teams.

Despite not scoring a goal in the matches, head coach Jim Conlon saw his team grow on and off the field. "The most pleasing part of the trip was how our players grew in their knowledge of history and culture," he explained. "That's what this was all about. It was nice to be able to play matches against some top-notch European competition, but the overall on and off the field experience was very important."

Co-captain Kristin Beck '07 of Bettendorf believes the German experience adds a key team chemistry component to this fall's collegiate campaign.

"We had a meeting on the bus after our last exhibition match, and we all agreed the value we've gotten out of practicing in the spring and playing exhibition matches against strong competition will help us for next year," she said. "This can't end with this trip. Nobody else in the Iowa Conference played overseas, so we feel like we have just those few more steps ahead of them in being prepared."

STRIKING THE BALL – Kristin Beck '07 of Bettendorf drives a shot attempt at the opponent's goal during the women's soccer team's visit to Germany.

Off the field, the Knights visited the Wartburg Castle, a World War II concentration camp and several other historical sites. They also attended a German professional soccer league match.

"The history side of the trip was awesome," Gannon said. "To be in castles older than our country gives you a real perspective on the rest of the world. I've been overseas twice before, but every time you go somewhere different, the different cultures are something you add to your life story."

"It was just great to do something like this as a team," Beck added. "I feel like we are much closer for the experience we had, and I'm very appreciative to coach Conlon for making it happen."

Track teams continue string of All-American seasons

Heidi Porter '07 of Manson and Rachel Brincks '07 of Carroll each finished in the top five in individual events, leading Wartburg to a top-20 women's team finish May 27 at Benedictine University Sports Complex. Porter took fourth in the 800, while Brincks was fifth in the 400-meter hurdles.

The men placed in a tie for 36th. Tim McKenna '09 of Cedar Falls highlighted the meet for the men's squad by placing fourth in the 3000-meter steeplechase, marking the highest national finish in the event for Wartburg since the late Dan Huston placed third in 1985.

Head coach Marcus Newsom's teams brought home 14 All-American honors, marking the fifth consecutive season that the Knights earned 10-or-more All-American awards at the outdoor championships.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

More success on hardwood for Knights

A title in the Adidas D3 Desert Shootout No. 1 Bracket and a share of the program's second consecutive Iowa Conference championship highlighted the 2005-06 season.

The Knights registered two win streaks of seven-or-more games en route to a 19-6 finish. Nate Schmidt '06 of Cascade joined the program's 1,000-point club during the season, while Jason Steege '06 of Fredericksburg set a new standard for career three-pointers, and Rance Cartmill '06 of Burlington did the same in career games played.

HONORS

All-conference: Steege, Schmidt - first team; Cartmill, second team
All-region: Schmidt, Steege
Academic all-conference: Steege

MEN'S TENNIS

Another top 4 IIAC finish highlights 2006

Wartburg concluded the 2006 season with a 1-2 record during the team portion of the Iowa Conference tournament April 27. The Knights came back April 28-29 with three players placing in the top three of the individual tournament.

The team's 10-16 dual output marked the second consecutive season the program has reached 10-or-more dual victories.

John Barnes '08 of Nashua topped the individual efforts, taking second in the Flight C singles. Nick Wuertz '06 of Waverly and Nick Petaros '06 of Maquoketa gained the consolation doubles title in Flight B as did Andrew Seeba '09 of Dubuque in the Flight C singles.

HONORS

Academic all-district: Wuertz
Academic all-conference: Barnes, Wuertz

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Knights find bright spots in 2005-06 campaign

The women opened the year with back-to-back wins in their tip-off classic and went on to end the year with a rousing 62-44 win over Cornell.

Elizabeth Campbell '08 of Rockford led the squad in scoring 11 times and averaged 12.7 points and 6.7 rebounds per game. Megan Hendricks '08 of Clear Lake was close behind in each category, averaging 11.7 points and 6.4 rebounds. Campbell garnered second team all-Iowa Conference honors for her playing, marking the 22nd consecutive year the program has had a player earn first or second team all-league awards.

HONORS

All-conference: Campbell
Academic all-conference: Campbell; Alecia Schoonover '07, Fredericksburg

Amsberry named head women's basketball coach

Former Rockford College head coach Bob Amsberry was named Wartburg's head women's basketball coach in late March.

"I am honored and humbled for the opportunity to lead the Wartburg women's basketball program," Amsberry said. "Wartburg College is a special place with proud traditions, and I am excited to move the program forward."

When Amsberry took over as the women's basketball coach at Rockford College in 1997, the program was in the midst of a national record 70-game losing streak. By his third season, the Regents posted one of the best turnarounds in NCAA history, going from 6-19 to an 18-8 record. Over the course of the next six seasons, the Regents were awarded four bids to the Division III NCAA tournament and won the Northern Illinois-Iowa Conference regular season and tournament title three times. Amsberry earned NIIC Coach of the Year honors in each of the last three seasons.

Molly Richards

Mark Adkins

FIRING IT ACROSS – Casey Pauli '06 of Scottsdale, Ariz., sets for a throw to first and records another out for the Knights baseball squad. Pauli and the Knights caught fire late in the season, winning 10 of their last 11 league games to forge a tie for the program's 10th consecutive league crown.

Men's golf team gives great

by Mark Adkins '90

What the 2006 Wartburg men's golf team did for its ailing first-year head coach one weekend in Dubuque is a gift Ted Reuter can't repay.

Fort Dodge natives Kevin Ault '06 and Ryan Kinseth '06 knew what they were battling for on the golf course was far less important than what Reuter endured personally. Throughout the spring season, Reuter underwent cancer treatments.

The Knights, trailing league rival Luther and locked in a heated battle with perennial conference power Central, turned their game into overdrive at The Meadows Golf Course April 27-28. Wartburg fired the second-lowest score in the third round, registering a 294, and came back in rough conditions in the final round, carding a team-low 297 to win the championship by 15 strokes.

Assistant coach Marv Ott '54, who ran the program for the ailing Reuter in the beginning of the spring, had a flood of emotions following the final round.

"These guys are so selfless," he said. "The upperclassmen make sure they are inclusive of the younger guys, always helping them improve their game. It was unspoken of Coach Reuter's condition during the final two rounds, but you could sense they wanted to do something special for him."

Ott had never seen such a final round. "The conditions were very sour, but our team battled right through it," he added. "Blake (Halvorsen) was five under at the turn; that's just the kind of great play we had. It was a great experience for me to be around a group of young men like this. I'm already looking forward to next season, as I know Ted is."

The team's play put a smile on Reuter's face as well, though he was at home – two hours away.

OFF THE TEE – Ryan Kinseth '06 of Fort Dodge watches his tee shot during the opening round of the Iowa Conference tournament. He guided the Knights to their second team championship in three years by being named the conference's Most Valuable Player.

"So much of our success this year has been a team effort," Reuter said. "As far as providing therapy for my condition, I can't begin to explain the incredible spiritual lift the golf team has given me; it truly has been amazing. Cards, flowers, visits – the golfers even sent me a prayer shawl. I almost cried from the outpouring of those young men's emotions."

Ault and Kinseth appreciated their coaches' work during the season and also what Reuter went through.

"Obviously, it was great to have him there at meetings, telling us how great we're

BIG RETURN – Nick Wuertz '06 of Waverly sets himself for a strong forehand return in men's tennis action. Wuertz and Nick Petaros '06 of Maquoketa combined to take third in the Iowa Conference's B flight doubles bracket.

Roland Ferrie

DOWN THE STRETCH – Kelsey Steffens '09 of DeWitt clears the final hurdle en route to the finish line during the 100-meter hurdle race at the Iowa Conference meet. Steffens and the Knights swept the men's and women's team titles.

gift to head coach

doing, even though he'd been sick," said Ault, four-time all-conference golfer. "We went into the conference tournament expecting to do well, but we added a little bit more to that, wanting to do something great for coach Reuter. The team meant a lot to him, and we wanted to win the title for him."

Throughout the season, the team had been on the cusp of great achievements, Ault added. "We had two or three good scores in previous tournaments but never four," he explained. "The final weekend of conference we did. Coaches Reuter and Ott have been a big part of our success, stepping in and maybe not knowing what to expect but always telling us to keep improving and so on. They did a great job all year."

Kinseth, conference meet medalist and Most Valuable Player, echoed those thoughts.

"We all knew how important winning conference was to (Reuter)," he added. "After the tournament was over, it was a great feeling to know we had done something to lift his spirits a little."

Kinseth also appreciated the contributions of Reuter and Ott. "They each stepped in to keep the program moving upward," he said. "It was a bummer when coach Reuter had to leave because he was sick, but still, I feel like we learned a lot from both of them."

WOMEN'S GOLF

Knights garner 1st national meet trophy

Kate Thompson '09 of Webster City put the finishing touches on a strong 2005-06 season in the final round of the NCAA Division III tournament.

Thompson's five-over-par 78 sparked the Knights to a 327 final-round total, locking up the program's first national tournament trophy with a fourth-place finish. The Knights' team score was the second lowest of any squad in the field during the final round, trailing only nine-time defending champion Methodist College of North Carolina.

Wartburg concluded the four-day event with two sub-330 scores and placed just nine strokes behind DePauw University of Greencastle, Ind., for third.

Erin Dohlman '06 of LeRoy, Minn., completed a career in which she earned three national meet qualifications, two all-region honors and two All-American awards. She turned in the low individual finish for the four days, and her 325 score garnered 12th place. Andrea Schiltz '07 of Algona ended in a tie for 15th with a 327, while Thompson's 78 during the final round led her to a 337 and 26th place.

BASEBALL

Conference championship string goes to 10

A 13-3 record in the final 16 regular season games helped lift Wartburg to a 10th consecutive Iowa Conference championship in early May.

After opening the league season with one win in five games, head coach Joel Holst's squad reeled off 10 wins in its next 11 outings to tie Central and Simpson for the top spot.

Brian Greiner '06 of Des Moines etched his name in the program's record book, taking over the career lead in runs-batted-in with 191. Matt Scherbring '06 of Manchester also set a new career pitching record, posting a 25-3 record, good for a winning percentage of 89.2.

HONORS

All-conference: Ryan Moorman '06, Boone; Casey Pauli '06, Scottsdale, Ariz. - first team; Greiner; Matt Petersen '06, Bettendorf; Ryan Grant '07, Center Point - second team

Academic all-conference: Greiner, Drew Newhoff '08, Waterloo; James Rodgers '06, Garwin; Petersen; Patrick Henderson '06, Iowa City; Ryan Martin '07, Alburnett; Tyler Archer '06, Burlington

Wartburg tops Iowa schools in 2006 Director's Cup

Wartburg achieved a sixth consecutive top-20 finish in the U.S. Sports Academy's NCAA Division III Director's Cup competition. Its 17th-place finish was the highest rank of any Iowa public or private four-year college or university in any division.

The Knights earned 467 points, based on a national wrestling championship, top-10 finishes in men's cross country, men's soccer, women's golf and softball and national tournament appearances in women's cross country and men's and women's indoor and outdoor track and field.

Wartburg is one of 21 colleges and universities in all divisions to finish in the top 15 in five of the past six years and one of only eight private institutions to achieve that distinction.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

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BOB WAGNER, Grand Rapids, Minn., invites anyone who qualifies to join the Octogenarian Bicycle Touring Club for its annual Ride Around Mille Lacs in September, contact ralwagoner@msn.com for information.

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Dr. JAMES HEDSTROM, Diamond Bar, Calif., was named distinguished alumnus for the year at Pepperdine University at graduation ceremonies in May, where he is emeritus professor of psychology.

1952

The Rev. LLOYD and Charlotte ZIEBARTH, Millersburg, Mich., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Feb. 12 with a dinner in their honor at St. James Lutheran Church, Rogers City, Mich.

1954

Darold and ARVELLA KAMMEYER PIPHO, Waverly, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 4. Their daughter is DENIESE PIPHO MEYER '88, West Dundee, Ill.

1959

The Rev. HARVEY J. JAEGER, Howard, Wis., has retired after preaching his last sermon at Trinity Lutheran Church in Washington Island. He and his wife, Gloria, were lighthouse keepers at Big Sable Point, Mich., in May.

1962

ALLAN SNOOK, Parker, Colo., was recognized by the Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America with the Silver Beaver Award for 30 years of volunteer service to the Boy Scouts. This is the highest award given to volunteers on the council level. Allan is a retired United Airlines pilot.

1963

The Rev. ERVIN HESTERBERG, Allenspark, Colo., retired in January after 35 years of ministry. His wife, MARIE SHAFFER '63 HESTERBERG, retired in 2002 after 27 years of teaching.

1964

Dr. RON LECHNYR, Eugene, Ore., received the 2006 Pioneer in Pain Medicine Award, presented by the Pain Society of Oregon in honor for dedication, expertise and leadership for over 38 years in the field of pain medicine. He is a clinical psychologist with a Ph.D. in psychology and a D.S.W. in clinical social work. He is in practice at the Pain Management and Behavioral Medicine Clinic, Willamette Medical Center. Ron and his wife, CELIA FILTER '64 LECHNYR, enjoy being grandparents to four grandchildren.

1965

Dr. HARRY ROLLINGS III, Grafton, Wis., is an associate professor of general studies at Milwaukee School of Engineering, Milwaukee, Wis.

1966

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LARRY WEIGHT, Anoka, Minn., is with Volunteers of America as a mental health therapist.

1969

RICHARD SMITH, Marshalltown, is a professor of management at Iowa State University, Ames.

1970

DAVID HARRENSTEIN, Lanesboro, Minn., was named executive director of The National Bicycle Tour Directors Association (NBTDA), a professional association of more than 80 organized multi-day bicycle tours, such as RAGBRAI in Iowa, Bike Florida, Trek Across Maine and Oklahoma Freewheel. David's company, Lanesboro Web Management Group, has maintained the organization's Web site, www.nbtda.com, for the past three years, and he operates Overland Touring Company, providing charter transportation and ride support services to Midwest multi-day bicycling events.

The Rev. JEROLD PRESTON, Broomfield, Colo., is the senior pastor at Lutheran Church of Hope.

1972

SUSAN WILLMS CANTINE and Robert Maxson, Decorah, were married in June 2005. Susan retired from teaching high school English, speech and theater in May 2005. In October 2005, she was one of two inductees into the Iowa High School Speech Association Hall of Fame. She is an adjunct instructor at Northeast Iowa Community College and in education at Luther College, working with English student teachers.

JEFFREY GILMORE, Algona, retired from the Algona Police Department in September 2005, after 22 years of service. He is a part-time deputy sheriff for Kossuth County.

EVELYN WAGNER SIKMA, Roselle, Ill., has retired after 18 years in information technology at the Sears home office, Hoffman Estates. She is now the owner of The Cleaning Authority, a franchised residential cleaning business.

LYNNE BAEHLER UTTECH, Watertown, Wis., is a library assistant at the Watertown Public Library.

1973

VIRGINIA EWOLDT, Davenport, is a private strings teacher. Her Web site is www.vewoldt.stringteacher.net.

1975

JANET ROBINSON REINERS, Council Bluffs, received her master's degree in adult learning, performance and development from Drake University in August 2005. She was also promoted to executive director of human resources for the Council Bluffs Community Schools.

1976

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CINDY DAWES '76 BROCKMAN, Waverly, will be a fourth-grade teacher in the Waverly-Shell Rock Community School District.

1977

BETH NELSON CHASE, Mount Morris, Ill., is the executive director for the foundation and vice president of corporate advancement for Lutheran Home and Services, Arlington Heights.

1978

ROSE SCHMIDT DAVIS, Glenside, Pa., has served All Hallows Episcopal Church for five years as organist/choir director. They are restoring its 1929 E.M. Skinner organ (OPUS 769).

LAURIE NELSON, Davenport, is with the Vera French Mental Health Center as a play therapist for the school-based therapy program. She obtained her independent social work license (LISW) in August 2005.

CHARLES RAINY, Bloomington, Minn., is with the University of Minnesota as an information technology Lan network analyst.

The Rev. GUENETU YIGZAW, West Chicago, Ill., is pastor at Berhane Wongel Ethiopian Evangelical Church.

1980

Dr. DENNIS BRICAULT, Chicago, Ill., is associate professor of Spanish and director of the English as a second language program at North Park University.

1981

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ANN LUDWIG ELLIOTT, Topeka, Kan., is the director of student services at Auburn-Washburn Unified School District. She is responsible for special education, counselors, psychologists and nurses in the district.

SUSAN LINN PILLARD, Central City, was elected to a second term on the Central City School Board. She is a full-time teacher at Linn-Mar High School and co-owner of Inches-A-Weigh, Cedar Rapids.

1982

CHRISTINE HENDRICKSON RORABECK, Milan, Mich., teaches German and Spanish for 1-12 grades at Home School Central, Ann Arbor, Mich. She also teaches piano and home schools her children, John Henri, 12, and Anna, 10.

1983

KAREN PETERSEN BERG, Amsterdam, Netherlands, is director of maintenance over the KLM Royal Dutch Airlines fleet. She is responsible for the regular maintenance and aircraft modifications planning, costs, and redelivery to the airline for over 180 aircraft. KLM, the oldest airline in the world, carried more than 20 million passengers and 600,000 tons of cargo in 2004-05, and merged with Air France in that year to become Europe's largest airline.

LOIS CARLS MARTIN, Vinton, is the vocal music instructor at Washington High School. She is in her sixth year as organist for Bethlehem Lutheran Church where she also accompanies the Chapel Choir, directs the children's StarBurst Choir, and assists with special worship music.

MARCIA NOLTE PERDIEU was promoted to GS-13, logistics management specialist, as a Department of the Army civilian to the U.S. Army Joint Munitions Command, Rock Island, Ill.

STEVE SCHULZ, Carroll, is the 2006 Carroll Chamber of Commerce president.

ANN AAROEN SOBRILSKY, Beaver Dam, Wis., is a special education tutor for the Beaver Dam School District.

1984

STUART BROWN, Wausau, Wis., is the director of customer relations with Hurd Windows and Doors, Medford. He is responsible for customer service, order entry and warranty and field service. His wife, TRACY BONSTEAD '84 BROWN, reads books and writes test questions for educational software for Renaissance Learning Center, Wisconsin Rapids. They are the parents of Aaron, 18, Ashley, 16, and Anna, 9.

JAMIE E. CLEMENTE KREILICK and Marcus W. De Geer, DC, MD, Ballwin, Mo., were married May 29, 2004. Their blended family includes Sebastian, 22, Christopher, 20, Emelie, 18, and Jonathan, 13, who join Rachael, 18, and Jake, 9.

1985

ANNE REES HOLMAN, Garland, Texas, is an administrator in the records department at Baylor University, Dallas.

TERRY KOZICH, Fort Worth, Texas, is a national account manager for American Screen Art, calling on Dr. Pepper/7Up. ASA is a fleet and retail graphics company based in Knoxville, Tenn.

LEE and Elizabeth KRUGER, Valley City, N.D., announce the birth of Jacob Eldon, April 12. He joins Casey, 1. Lee is an assistant professor of English at Valley City State University.

JANE WHITE NORDQUIST, Cape Coral, Fla., received the Golden Apple Award for excellence in teaching from the Foundation for Lee County Public Schools. She is a geometry and intensive math teacher at Ida S. Baker High School.

Remembering 2 young friends, gone in an instant

by Rick Lewis '69

Lewis wrote this to commemorate the drowning deaths of his friends Russ McCaskey and Dennis LoSchiavo on Spring Outfly, April 25, 1966. A portion of Lewis' piece appeared in the Des Moines Register *April 25, 2006, on the 40th anniversary of the event.*

Forty years ago today, when I was a college freshman, two of my classmates went down to the river to celebrate springtime and drowned.

Spring was just coming to the Wartburg campus. The Righteous Brothers had the number-one song in America that week, *You're My Soul and Inspiration.* Alex Haley's interview with George Lincoln Rockwell was in *Playboy.* It was just two weeks after the first B-52 raids over North Vietnam. Anti-war protests were bubbling up in New York, Washington and Chicago, but Waverly was still a peaceful place where the worst thing that usually happened was a loss to Luther in football.

I remember the day vividly even now. Many others, long dispersed, surely do too. It marked, for me, that dreadful discovery we all make sooner or later: that death can be sudden, indiscriminate, unfair and terribly irreversible. The presumed immortality of the young vanished in the moment like a cruel joke. That morning they had been part of the jubilant crowd ringing in the school tradition of a spontaneous day off called "Outfly." By mid-afternoon, they were gone forever – and so, perhaps, was a part of my youth.

Dennis "Dino" LoSchiavo was a lanky freshman and a gifted artist who sketched elaborate, cartoonish drawings of race cars. Russ McCaskey, a wiry red-haired sophomore with a wicked sense of humor, was a year older. Both hailed from the Chicago suburbs.

Dino often mentioned a persistent foreboding that he would die before he was 21. He wasn't maudlin about it, but most of us had heard him say it. We also knew he couldn't swim.

The Cedar River always seemed like an especially sinewy and ominous braid of dark water, snaking under the Bremer Avenue bridge downtown, with a reputation for snags and menacing currents. It was swollen in the spring. Dino went in the water and got in trouble that day, somewhere outside of town. Russ tried to save him.

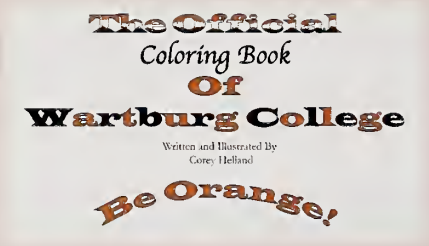
A few days later, carloads of dorm-dwellers from Clinton Hall packed their dark suits and narrow black ties and headed east across the fields toward Chicago with WLS blaring on the radio like a homing beacon. We dreaded the possibility that at least one of the eulogies would invoke the wrenching quote, "Better love hath no man..." Both did. We stood and sang *Rock of Ages,* miserably, at both funerals.

There was a potluck at Dino's mother's house after the second service. We saw his empty room, lined with his neat drawings. We searched for greater meaning. We didn't find it. There was nothing to do but go back to school the next day and resume our lives, two souls short.

The 1966 yearbook is bound in 60s-chic Madras plaid. It had already gone to press; they managed to add an "In Memoriam" card in the back. There they peer from the musty and yellowing pages: Russ and Dino, impossibly young, frozen in time – the Peter Pan faces of two boys who would never grow up.

They would be grandfathers now. I wonder if many of us have treasured life just a little more all these years, having been shown in so breathtaking a manner how abruptly it can be snatched away. Maybe we should have sunk into despair at such pointless loss. But instead, and on behalf of those who never got a chance to grow old, some of us are still giving it the old college try.

Lewis of Miami, Fla., is chief executive officer of Friends of WLRN Inc.



Fun for children 3 to 103

Corey Helland '06 of Lakeville, Minn., created a Wartburg Coloring Book with fun pictures highlighting campus landmarks.

To download your copy, go to the Alumni and Parent Programs "Benefits" page of the Web site at www.wartburg.edu/alumni/benefits.html and click on the "Wartburg Coloring Book" link.

Distinguished alumni to be ho

by Karris Golden '98

An FBI whistleblower, a community leader and an engineer will receive Alumni Citations at Homecoming 2006.

The recipients will be honored at the Homecoming Brunch Sunday, Oct. 15. (Please note the change in the traditional time and date to accommodate the Campaign Wartburg gala event.)

Alumni Citations recognize contributions and support to the college, vocational and professional achievements and community and church leadership.

Marvin Brosz '52
Hendersonville, N.C.

Born and raised on a farm near Delmont, S.D., Brosz went on to earn a degree in mathematics from Wartburg. He received a direct commission from the U.S. Air Force near the end of the Korean War and was honorably discharged after three and one-half years.

While in the Air Force, Brosz served a full year of officer's electronics and radar systems and completed assignments in radar maintenance and systems installations.

His experience in the military led to an engineering 34-year career with General Electric Company. In that time, Brosz worked as a field engineer, designer, systems development engineer, project manager and manager at several levels. He focused on the development of electromechanical systems with the application of state-of-the-art technology in electronics, mechanics and materials. His management responsibilities involved integration and product development activities in conjunction with GE Japanese and French affiliates.

In a career marked by many varied firsts, Brosz became known as an innovative leader. Among his accomplishments are writing and teaching "Rethinking Systems Thinking," which describes the organizational needs for change to remain competitive; serving as chief engineer of the GE whole Body Scanner; and working as a full instructional aircraft cockpit trainer for 40 students in a fully synchronized, interactive instruction environment.

Brosz and his wife, Charlene, have been married for more than 50 years and have a son.

Although he says, "My wife has finally convinced me that it is time to slow down," he enjoys flying and also remains active in the Carolina Mountain Wood Turners, GE Elfun Volunteers, Macintosh Computer Society and Habitat for Humanity.

Walter Reed, Jr. '76
Des Moines

A longtime Waterloo resident, Reed was appointed by Gov. Tom Vilsack as director of the Iowa Department of Human Rights in February 2005.

The department houses seven administrative divisions and one commission (Community Action Agencies, Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning, Deaf Services, Latino Affairs, Persons with Disabilities, African American Affairs, Status of Women, and Asia-Pacific Islanders Commission). Reed upholds the department's mission to promote equal access to work, services and opportunities that enhance the well being

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of Iowa's diverse population.

In addition to his duties as director, Vilsack designated Reed as the state's coordinator for Iowa's response to the Katrina-Gulf Coast disaster. Reed also serves as the State of Iowa representative on the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Planning Commission.

Throughout his career, Reed has been recognized for community and civic leadership as a professional and volunteer. Among the many awards he has received are the Appreciation Award from the Des Moines Black Ministerial Alliance and the Human Relations Award from the Iowa State Education Association.

He served 10 years as executive director of the City of Waterloo Commission on Human Rights. Under his leadership, the commission organized the Cedar Valley Diversity Appreciation Team and Study Circle program. Both award-winning initiatives are a community-based collaboration of area residents from all walks of life and work to develop and implement a community plan to improve race relations, appreciate diversity, fight discrimination and prevent hate crimes.

Reed earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration from Wartburg. He is a Certified Mediator and Human Rights Professional as designated by The Iowa Mediation Service and The National Association of Human Rights Workers, a National Civil Rights Training Organization. He has more than 22 years of management and supervisory experience.

Coleen Cheney Rowley '77
Apple Valley, Minn.

Rowley, now retired from the FBI, was thrust into the national spotlight in 2002 after writing a memo critical of the FBI's handling of investigations related to the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

The memo earned her the title of "FBI whistleblower," and she testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee about problems faced by the FBI and other intelligence agencies. *Time Magazine* called Rowley's missive a "bombshell memo" and named her and the Enron whistleblowers its persons of the year.

In April 2003, after an unsuccessful attempt to warn the FBI director and other administrators about the dangers of launching an invasion of Iraq, she stepped down from her legal position with the FBI and returned to being a special agent.

She retired from the FBI in December 2004 and now speaks to a variety of groups about ethical decision-making and balancing civil liberties with the need for effective investigation. She is running for Congress in Minnesota's Second District.

A native of New Hampton, Rowley earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in French from Wartburg. She went on to the College of Law at the University of Iowa. Her dream since childhood was to become an FBI agent. She achieved her goal and served as a special agent in Nebraska, Mississippi and New York before her last assignment in Minnesota. She and her husband, Ross, have been married for 25 years and have four children.

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LAS VEGAS
December 16-21, 2006
Wartburg College Wrestling National Champions host the Desert Duals on Dec. 19 at the Flamingo Las Vegas.

MOROCCO
Late April-Early May 2007
Your host for the 14-day trip will be Dave Fredrick '65, associate director of admissions for international recruiting.

TANZANIA
June 12-28, 2007 (tentative)
Join Dr. Les Huth '58 for this incredible African experience.

CAPITAL CITIES OF EUROPE
June 28-July 13, 2007
College Pastor Larry Trachte '66 will host this European tour, which includes London, Paris, Brussels, Amsterdam, Berlin and more.

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Wartblog

Of the Cedar Valley's 76 top graduating high school seniors, 12 have enrolled at Wartburg for fall 2006-07. Only the University of Iowa with 16 had a higher success rate. (These students come from Black Hawk County, Waverly and Janesville.)

Be Orange.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

1986

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GARY T. JOHNSON, Tomball, Texas, is president of Triumfera, a consulting and technology solutions firm in Houston. He is a member of Flotilla 6-12, U.S. Coast Guard (Auxiliary), Air Station Houston and was awarded several medals by the commandant of the Coast Guard for the missions he flew in Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi due to Hurricane Katrina. Gary is also a member of the Coast Guard Press Corp. Photographs he took during his Katrina deployment have been published in several magazines and two recently published books on Hurricane Katrina.

JOHN K. KREILICK and Chandaleigh Peck, Owensville, Mo., were married June 5, 2005.

JEFFREY PETERS, Madison, Wis., is the manager of Erik's Bike Shop.

1987

LORI KELL NAKANISHI, Colorado Springs, Colo., is the public involvement and community relations coordinator with Wilson & Company, an engineering consulting firm.

ANDY and CARRIE PETERSEN '93 ROQUET, Middleton, Wis., announce the birth of Mason, Dec. 30, 2005. He joins Davis, 7, and Kendall, 4.

LINDA DARGAVEL VANSANT, Dallas, Texas, graduated summa cum laude from Texas Woman's University with a B.S. in nursing. She is a registered nurse at Baylor University Medical Center.

1988

KAREN PUDWILL, Austin, Texas, is with the Internal Revenue Service and is the mother of Chloe, 4.

RANDY and Kristy SCHNEIDER, Valparaiso, Ind., announce the birth of Bryn Star, Sept. 13, 2005. She joins Karli, 5, and Alec, 2. Randy is the head softball coach for Valparaiso University.

CRAIG SESKER is communications manager for USA Wrestling, Colorado Springs, Colo., which is the national governing body for amateur wrestling in the United States, and a member of the U.S. Olympic Committee and the International Wrestling Federation.

KEITH and SHERRI PETERSON '90 SWARTZ, Madison, Wis., announce the birth of Eric Lewis, March 16. He joins Nathan, 6, and Heather, 4.

1989

CATHERINE HUFF VAN PAEMEL, Dubuque, is a Spanish teacher with the University of Wisconsin, Platteville.

1990

RON and Jill BURMOOD, Harrisburg, S.D., announce the birth of Zachary Lee, Feb.16, 2002.

DIANE MAY GARLAND, Spring Valley, Ill., is the controller for Illinois Valley Community Hospital, Peru.

Mark and MARY PUFFETT GRIEFF, Center Point, announce the birth of Daniel Glenn, Dec. 6, 2005. Mary is a teacher at Center Point-Urbana Schools.

LEE and MARCI THOMPSON HAMMERAND, Muscatine, announce the birth of twin boys, Matthew Lee and Nathan David, Jan. 12.

STEPHANIE PAULSEN KAHL, Omaha, Neb., was promoted to manager global employee benefits at ACI Worldwide, a global software security firm based in Omaha.

TRACY ROUDEBUSH MICHELSEN, Waterloo, is with Elliott Hartman Insurance.

TROY MULLEN, Waverly, is a project manager with Rabo AgriFinance, Cedar Falls.

KAREN WEIS NETTLETON and DAN NETTLETON '91 announce the birth of Owen William Edward, Dec 17. He joins Sam, 9, and Kate, 6.

Scott and KRISMAR ANDERSON RAMKER, Waverly, announce the birth of Benjamin Scott, April 17. He joins Brady, 3, and Erik, 2.

NICOLE STALEY and David Owens, Spring, Texas, were married Dec. 23. They announce the birth of Konner Alan, Sept. 18, 2005. Nicole is a teacher for Spring ISD, Houston, Texas.

1991

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WADE EICHHORN, Sioux City, is corporate autonomous maintenance pillar leader with Wells Dairy Inc./Blue Bunny, Le Mars.

STACY and AMY STROTTMAN '92 FLEGE, Ely, announce the birth of Mayson Michele, Feb. 15. She joins Jayden, 12, and Rylee, 8.

LAURIE OWEN HARRISON and MATT HARRISION '93, Long Grove, announce the births of Brock, Feb. 22, 2004, and twin daughters, Abigail and Hope, Dec. 14, 2005. They join Cooper, 5.

MATT RECHKEMMER and AMY ZUBAK '92 RECHKEMMER, Cedar Rapids, announce the birth of Lily Catherine, Jan. 6. She joins Maggie, 7, and Max, 5.

RYAN STENSLAND and BECKY HOUCHENS '93 STENSLAND, Denver, Colo., announce the birth of Anne "Annie" Kathryn, March 3.

GAIL WALLICAN-VAN ARSDAL, Waterloo, is manager, community relations, with the American Cancer Society.

1992

Jeff and AMY MARSHALL BENN, Des Moines, announce the birth of Andrew Michael, Feb. 15. He joins Ryan, 12, Joshua, 8, and Amanda, 1.

RICKY BROOKS and LORI BRANDAU '93, Johnston, announce the birth of Jack Richard Brooks, Jan. 6. He joins Ben, 4.

SCOTT and Marie CONWAY, Castalia, announce the birth of Abraham Josiah, Jan. 22. He joins Mary, 4, Tobias, 3, and Samuel, 2.

The Rev. JANE DEIKE FRYDA, Burlington, Wis., is pastor at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Waukesha, on a part-time basis. She began an inside sales position with Flow Products, LLC in March selling aseptic valves.

1993

Kevin and MICHELLE STURTZ BOOKMEIER, Vinton, announce the birth of Matthew Christian, Sept. 25, 2005. Michelle is a substitute teacher for Vinton-Shelisburg Schools.

E'LYNN ELLIS, Des Moines, was promoted to analyst II in the FHA default claims department with Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, West Des Moines.

Jeff and JILL CHAFFEE GROBER, Centennial, Colo., announce the birth of Hannah Erin, Jan. 3.

DOUG HALL, Winfield, Kan., is head men's basketball coach at Southwestern College. Their 2005-06 record was 28-4, and they were ranked fifth in the NAIA national poll during their season. The team broke the school record for number of wins in a season, and Doug was named KCAC Coach of the Year.

MARK and JANELL GODFREY '94 KALLENBACH, Norwalk, announce the birth of Anya Noelle, Feb. 8. She joins Reid, 7, and Lily, 5.

DANIEL MAHRAUN, Lindsborg, Kan., director of choral activities at Bethany College, was granted tenure and promoted to associate professor.

Tien and DANIELLE LUETHJE THAI, Madison, Wis., announce the birth of Henry Allen in February. He joins Sophie, 2.

SANDRA WISKUS, Paris, France, is the communications manager for the commodities and mining finance business line at Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking.

1994

The Rev. KATHLEEN HESTERBERG ARMSTRONG, Allenspark, Colo., is an associate pastor for Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, Broomfield, Colo. She and her husband, Tim, are the parents of Brune, 4, and Kaden, 2.

BRIAN BINA and Sabrina Metzger, Watertown, Wis., were married Nov. 5, 2005. Brian is a building materials department manager with Menard's, Johnson Creek.

BRAD BUCHHOLZ, Waterloo, was promoted to program manager in the community support services program at Exceptional Persons Inc.

MARK FRANZEN, Decorah, is head men's basketball coach at Luther College.

CHRISTINA GARIEN JUETT, Mount Vernon, is the 211 program manager at First Call for Help – United Way of East Central Iowa, a health and human services information and referral helpline covering 24 Iowa counties.

ERIC and Dawn MILLER, Portland, Ore., announce the birth of Charlotte, March 2006. She joins Sebastian, 5.

Chad and CHERYL VONDEROHE PATTERSON, Huxley, announce the birth of Ryan Joseph, Jan. 31. He joins Mya, 3.

LAURA MAULSBY PIERCE, Blountville, Tenn., was promoted to manager of regulatory affairs for King Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Bristol.

MATTHEW SCHLIEF, Green Bay, Wis., is a store manager for Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

MATTHEW STAFF, Richmond, Texas, is a teacher and basketball coach at Briscoe Junior High in the Lamar CISD.

WENDY WALTERT STANSBERY, Denver, was selected to present a one-woman art show at the Drew Art Gallery in the Ohnward Fine Arts Center, Maquoketa.

ROBERT UMBAUGH, Greeley, Colo., is the coordinator of residence life for academic services at the University of Northern Colorado.

DAVE ZIMMER, Altoona, is a deputy U.S. marshal – criminal investigator with the United States Marshals Service, Des Moines.

1995

BOB and JEN LENIUS '96 BEATTY, Independence, announce the birth of Drew Michael, Oct. 12, 2005. He joins Marcus, 2.

Todd and LAURIE CRAVEN CHELF, Burlington, announce the birth of twins, Jonathan Welby and Benjamin Allen, Dec. 31. They join AnaEliza, 12.

DOUG and HEIDI SCHAFER EDWARDS, Wausau, Wis., announce the birth of identical twins, Avery Marian and Lauren Caroline, April 2. They join Grace, 3.

Mark and NANCY SCHNEIDER GARSO, Auburn, Maine, announce the birth of Gabriel Luke, March 30.

BOB GILBERTSON and Christine Boehler, Marshalltown, were married June 4, 2005.

Walter and JENNIFER HEANEY GRANDBERRY, Arlington Hgts., Ill., announce the birth of Roisin Helen, Jan. 3.

SHAWN HARMSEN, Hayward, Wis., graduated in December 2005 with a master's degree in communication education from the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

Matt and SARA PECKOSH JANSSEN, Wellsburg, announce the birth of Thomas Matthew, Sept. 23, 2005. He joins Libby, 2.

Matt and TINA COX JOHNSON, Lake Geneva, Wis., announce the birth of Carter Matthew, Feb. 16. He joins Kayla, 8.

TRACY and AMY MILLER KLEESE, Washington, announce the birth of Abigail Elizabeth, Feb. 28. She joins Lincoln, 5, and Sophia, 3.

Dr. MICHAEL OTTO, Mason City, is a partner in the dental practice of Dr. Timothy Weber.

Mike and JODI SCHALL WHITE, Hampton, announce the birth of Carson Thomas, Feb. 2. He joins Jenna, 6.

1996

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SUSAN BACHMAN WEST and Lee West, Farmington, Minn., announce the birth of Thomas Lee, July 8, 2005.

David and HOLLY GOOD GAEDE, DeWitt, announce the birth of Gabriel Warren, March 23.

LAURA GUTMANN and Tom Alexander, Duluth, Ga., were married Jan. 14. Laura completed her Master of Social Work degree at the University of Minnesota in May 2005.

SCOTT and Jennifer HARKEN, Des Moines, announce the birth of Joe, Dec. 18.

JEFFREY and Rachel MAASSEN, Iowa City, announce the birth of Henry Ryan, June 9, 2005. Jeffrey finished his ophthalmology residency in June 2006 and joined the Iowa Eye Center in Cedar Rapids in July.

AMANDA GEYEN MANSHEIM and ED MANSHEIM '98, Tulsa, Okla., announce the birth of Maxwell Jeffrey, Sept. 5, 2005.

ELIZABETH SEEGER and Paul Troy, Louisville, Ky., were married Sept. 25, 2005. Beth graduated from Louisville Presbyterian Seminary with a Master of Divinity and a Master of Arts in marriage and family therapy in May 2004. She is a marriage and family therapist/pastoral counselor with Personal Counseling Service, Clarksville, Ind.

Travis and DAWN TESTORFF TAYLOR, Fredericksburg, announce the birth of James Rodney, Oct. 29, 2005.

Kevin and DEB SAMS VANDERLINDEN, Carlisle, announce the birth of Jacob Samuel, April 20. He joins Tyler, 1.

1997

MARK DeVRIES and CARRIE FOSTER '99 DeVRIES, Waverly, announce the birth of Charles John, March 4.

LAURIE WILKINSON DONALD and TODD DONALD '99, Van Horne, announce the adoption of Kennedy Lyn, Dec. 27, 2005. She joins Kaylin, 2. Todd is a sixth grade teacher and assistant varsity football and track coach for Benton Community School. Laurie is a Spanish teacher and coach, also for Benton Community.

JENNIFER RUTZ GRANT and JASON GRANT '99, Waverly, announce the birth of Ryan Lowell Richard, Jan. 6.

The Rev. JUDITH HESTERBERG, Louisville, Ky., was ordained in August 2004. She is pastor at Grace and Glory Lutheran.

BRANDON and Jody HUFFORD, West Des Moines, announce the birth of Brady Lee, Feb. 2. He joins Taylor, 5.

Jeff and STACY GIENAPP SOPPE, New Berlin, Wis., announce the birth of Eli Jeffrey, Feb. 27.

BLAKE WILLIAMS, Ely, is an elementary teacher and head wrestling coach for the College Community School District.

BECKY ZINN-CAULFIELD and Tom Caulfield, Denver, Colo., announce the birth of Cameron Zinn, March 19.

1998

MATTHEW ARMSTRONG, Marion, is choir director at Washington High School. His wife, SHELLY MARSHALL '99 ARMSTRONG, is a music therapist with Amenity Hospice.

Kenneth and JAMIE DAVIS CUMMINS, Tujunga, Calif., announce the birth of Carrie Davis, Feb. 13. She joins Connor, 3.

Peter and Dr. MICHELLE JAHN ELGIN, Vinton, announce the birth of Parker Jahn, Jan. 16.

Jake and JESSIE DOERFLER ELSON, Appleton, Wis., announce the birth of Quinn David, Jan. 5.

MATT and Jen FISCHER, Urbandale, announce the birth of Malia Laini, Jan. 25.

REBECCA FUCHS and Jamie Misch, Onalaska, Wis., were married April 1.

Brenten and JENNIFER HELLAND MADDIGAN, Hudson, Wis., announce the birth of Makena Rose, Jan. 13. She joins Riley, 4. Jennifer is with USIS as a special investigator.

PATTI FRANSEN MEYER, Waukee, was promoted to human resource representative with Target Corporation.

KRISTA KLOCKENTAGER PALMER, Helena, Mont., is a client services specialist with Student Assistance Foundation.

ZACHARY PICKARD, New Sharon, is a marketing representative with the *Oskaloosa Herald.*

SHANE STOCKS, Eldon, Mo., is the 7-12 principal at Galena R-II Schools.

PAUL and AMY FREESEMAN YEAGER, Bettendorf, announce the birth of Noah Lynn, April 25.

1999

JENNIFER AFDAHL, San Francisco, Calif., worked with street children and learned Spanish for nine months in Central America. She now is a senior lending associate with RSF Innovations in Social Finance, a nonprofit that connects social investors, donors and borrowers.

RACHEL BAILEY, Chicago, Ill., announces the birth of Jackson Jacari Bailey-Hunter, Feb. 18.

ADAM BELLIN and Adrien Libby, Norfolk, Va., were married May 20.

Jason and MARIA DULAK DOEPKE, Wausau, Wis., announce the birth of Magdalene Ruth, Jan. 27. She joins Alivia, 3.

NATHAN and JANETTE KEITH '00 FRIESEN, Janesville, announce the birth of Elizabeth Diane, Feb. 11. Nathan is a computer programmer at Bertch Cabinets, Waterloo. Janette is with Waverly Child Care and Preschool as a teacher for the 3-year-old class.

MARC GROEN and KARA MILLS '00 GROEN, Waverly, announce the birth of Michael Evan, Feb. 20. Kara received her master's degree in music therapy from the University of Iowa, May 2005.

MARK HARGRAFEN, Ankeny, is the executive director of the ASK Resource Center, Des Moines.

AARON HOLMER, Algonquin, Ill., was named math department head at Dundee-Crown High School.

WILLIAM and Stacey KURICH, Rensselaer, Ind., announce the birth of Abigail "Abbey" Rita, April 3.

JASON MEYER, Waukee, is the district sales manager for *USA Today.*

LISA RATHJE, Harrisburg, Pa., is with the Institute for Cultural Partnerships as the arts and heritage specialist.

Scott and BETH KLEIN SCHELLHORN, Sumner, announce the birth of Nora Lynn, March 30. She joins Marshall, 5, Ethan, 3, and Grant, 2.

IN MEMORIAM

1920

ELSIE BEYER OTTEROS, Williams, died March 15. She and her husband were in the corn shelling and trucking business.

1931

GERTRUTH KETTNER, Hastings, Neb., died Nov. 20. She was commissioned as a missionary to India in 1937 and served under the American Lutheran Church Board of World Missions at South Andhra Lutheran Church of India for 35 years. She wrote two books, *Memoirs of a Missionary in India* and *The Adventures of Rama the Frog.*

1933

RAYMOND BUNGER, Storm Lake, died March 30. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II, then worked at Hasbrouck-Voetmann Lumber until 1960. He and his wife owned and operated Ray's Clothiers and Cleaners in Tripoli for 28 years.

1939

MARK HUSS, Baldwin, Md., died Dec. 25.

1941

DR. VERNON A. MOHR, Fredericksburg, Texas, died March 25. A graduate of Wartburg Theological Seminary, he was ordained in 1945. He served St. John's Lutheran Church in San Antonio, Texas, until 1956, when he was elected president of the Texas District of The American Lutheran Church. He subsequently served as bishop of the ALC's Southern District for 22 years. Following his retirement in 1978, he served a three-year term at the International Church of Copenhagen, Denmark. He was named a Bishop Emeritus in 1986 and received a Wartburg College Alumni Citation in 1978.

1946

THE REV. LAVERNE STREICH, Oelwein, died April 15, 2004. He earned a Master of Divinity degree and later received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Wartburg Theological Seminary. He served churches in Traer, Grinnell and Oelwein and was an Iowa National Guard chaplain from 1956 to 1978. After retiring in 1989, he served many churches on an interim basis.

ROBERT SWENSEN, Des Plaines, Ill., died Oct. 13.

1948

WILLIAM H. ENGELBRECHT, Waverly, died March 28 of pulmonary fibrosis. The grandson of August Engelbrecht, Wartburg's 10th president, he was a former member and chair of the Wartburg College Board of Regents. He also chaired the college's Endowment Committee. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1945 to 1948, and after earning a law degree from Drake University, he practiced law in Waverly for 55 years. He was a past president of the Iowa State Bar Association, delegate to the American Bar Association, chair of the First National Bank of Waverly Board of Directors and member of the Allen Memorial Hospital Board. He served on the national Church Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and chaired the Bremwood Lutheran Children's Home Board. He was also active on boards and committees at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Waverly.

1949

ESTHER BLASIUS, Atwood, Calif., died Dec. 13.

1950

THE REV. DAVID HEIDTKE, Fredericksburg, Texas, died March 23.

1951

ROBERT D. BAILEY, Waverly, died Feb. 1. He served with the U.S. Army from 1944-1946. After a year at Wartburg, he completed his bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Northern Iowa. He taught four years in Clarksville and 20 years at Waverly-Shell Rock High School, retiring in 1985.

LEONA GOEKEN STEFFENS, West Union, died Feb. 20 of cancer. She taught at Dover and Auburn Township schools. She and her husband farmed for 43 years.

1955

EUGENE BOSCHEE, Northfield, Minn., died Feb. 8 of metastatic bladder cancer.

1960

CAROL BAER ROBERTS, New Orleans, La., died July 8, 2001, of leukemia. She was president of the Women's Guild of the New Orleans Opera Association from 1998-2000.

1961

ELDON SCHMIDT, Manchester, died April 20 following an extended illness. He served in the U.S. Navy for three years and worked in sales and at Tredegar.

1965

ROBERT BEYERLEIN, Rockville, Md., died Oct. 27, 2003. He was a research scientist and earned a doctorate in physics from the University of Illinois in 1972.

THE REV. CURTIS PETER, Isanti, Minn., died June 8, 2002, of cancer. He was a teacher and principal at Immanuel Lutheran Church School in Lebanon, Wis., then completed a divinity degree at Wartburg Theological Seminary in 1970. He was a pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Appleton, Wis., until accepting a position with The American Lutheran Church as editor of children's resources and later as director of educational materials for teacher training. He served 10 years as church relations director at Augsburg College in Minneapolis before returning to the parish ministry.

JAMES E. SCHNEIDER, Bella Vista, Ark., died April 1 of cancer. He was an executive with Murphy Oil Co. for more than 30 years, retiring in 1995.

1973

THE REV. ARLYN OLSON, Racine, Wis., died Jan. 31. He worked as a teacher and a pastor and was a member of the Master Gardeners Club of Racine.

1974

RAY DONAT, Sumner, died Feb. 10 of multiple myeloma. He worked at John Deere for 30 years until his retirement in 2002.

1983

MICHAEL WARD, Tarrytown, N.Y., died March 22. He was the 1982 Iowa Conference football MVP. After coaching Division I football at the University of Missouri and the University of Texas at El Paso, he joined Country Wide Mortgages as a director.

1986

NANCY LANGE IDEUS, Boulder Junction, Wis., died Dec. 2, 2002.

1989

THOMAS H. BURRIER, Alexandria, Va., died March 13 as the result of a car accident. After a year at Wartburg, he began a career in the U.S. Army. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Maryland and was completing a master's degree in strategic intelligence.

JENNIFER SHERMAN and Kelly Byrne Jr., Seabrook, Texas, were married Oct. 31, 2002. They announce the birth of Livia Jude, July 27, 2003.

MATTHEW TISUE, Dunkerton, is with Iowa-Illinois Taylor Insulation Co. His wife, EMILY DAVIS TISUE, is a preschool teacher for Dunkerton Community Schools.

AUDREY WALLICAN-GREEN, Waterloo, is the principal at Kittrell Elementary School.

LIAN-FAI YEE, Iowa City, is a graduate research assistant in the microbiology department at the University of Iowa.

2000

MOLLY O'MEARA CLUBB, Traer, is owner of Mo Co. Creative Services, which provides creative services such as web design, logo and graphic design, special events planning, photography and original art pieces. She and her husband, Brandon, are the parents of Calia, 2.

AMBER IHM COOK and MATT COOK '02, Marion, announce the birth of Cooper John, Nov. 8, 2005. Amber is a music therapist at a developmental and behavioral pediatrics practice, Cedar Rapids. Matt is a call quality specialist for diversified investment advisers with Aegon, Cedar Rapids.

JILL BENSON EASTMAN and BRIAN EASTMAN '01, Arlington, Texas, announce the birth of Avery Faith, April 18.

John and KERRY WELDON FEULING, Des Moines, announce the birth of Olivia Kristina, Feb. 7. She joins Shaylin, 3. Kerry is an auto fire and theft investigator with Allied Insurance.

1st Lt. DELMAR HAFERMANN, is deployed in Iraq serving as a logistics officer with the 1-133 IN Battalion based out of Waterloo.

Dr. MICHAEL HAINSTOCK, Tucson, Ariz., is in the pediatric residency program at the University of Arizona Medical Center.

Brent and SARAH SOVEREIGN HOLTEN, Cresco, announce the birth of Callie Leigh, Feb. 27. She joins Haylee, 3.

CHAD and JESSICA CHMELAR '02 HRUSKA, Holmen, Wis., announce the birth of Audrey Maurine, Feb. 8.

Corey and ROBYN BRENT JOHNSON, Ankeny, announce the birth of Rece Gabriel, Feb. 5.

PETER and JENNNIFER GALSTAD KNOEBEL, Vadnais Heights, Minn., announce the birth of Christopher Paul, Feb. 16.

JASON KRAMER and Amanda Tyler, Broken Arrow, Okla., were married March 4 in Belton, Texas. Jason is an account executive with Learfield Communications at the University of Tulsa, Tulsa, Okla.

MIKE and SARAH RECKER PEAKIN, Waverly, announce the birth of Leah Elizabeth, Jan. 26. Mike is a social studies teacher for Waverly-Shell Rock High School.

DAVID REWERTS, Cumming, received his MBA from the University of Iowa's Henry B. Tippie School of Management, December 2005.

CHRIS and Jessi STRINMOEN, Cokato, Minn., announce the birth of Jaxon Christopher, Jan. 12.

STACEY STROTHER, Philadelphia, Pa., graduated in May with a Master of Arts degree in counseling psychology from Arcadia University, Glenside, Pa. She is with the Philadelphia Health Management Corporation as an adult therapist with a specialty in drugs and alcohol.

2001

Homecoming Reunion Oct. 12-15

JENNIFER BERGSGAARD and Scott Solberg, Calmar, were married June 15, 2002. They announce the birth of Nathan Scott, July 28, 2004.

JENNI DONOHUE, Chicago, Ill., is manager of cardiology for Advocate Medical Group, Park Ridge, Ill.

KATE DRISCOLL and Neal Poppe, Waverly, were married Jan. 14. Kate is with Network Control as an account manager.

Dr. TIMOTHY FECHNER, Decorah, is a physical therapist with Decorah Chiropractic Center.

THERESA FRUEHLING and Joseph P. Ortner, Marion, were married May 13.

JOHN GIBBONS, Seattle, Wash., is with CUSTOM, Inc. as an account executive.

DAVE LINDNER, Baldwin, Wis., is with IBM Global Services Security and Privacy Practice as a security consultant. He received a master's degree in computer engineering and information assurance on May 5 from Iowa State University, Ames.

MEGAN MYHRE, Scottsdale, Ariz., is with CDM Data as a sales coordinator.

EMILY ROESGER and Shawn Sutton, Bettendorf, were married Oct. 15, 2005.

CHRISTOPHER and KRISTIN RIESTERER THOMAS, Lyons, Ill., announce the birth of Anthony William, April 2.

NATALIE WILSON and Andy Vaughn, Dublin, Calif., were married Aug. 13, 2005. Natalie graduated from Golden Gate University School of Law in May 2005 and was admitted into the California State Bar in December 2005. She is with the California Supreme Court as a legal research attorney.

2002

LISA BONORDEN, Waverly, graduated May 6 with a Master of Social Work degree from the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

JOEL DEMRO, Shakopee, Minn., is a territory manager for Hormel Foods, Austin, Minn.

Deaths of three former faculty members sadden community

The Wartburg community was saddened by the deaths of three formet faculty membets.

Dr. Jean M. Abramson, 79, professor emerita of music, died Feb. 5 in Michigan. Dr. Doris M. Cottam, 82, professor emetita of sociology, died Feb. 19 in Wisconsin. Dr. Daniel Sutherland, 54, former professot of biology, died May 26 in Wisconsin following a stroke.

Abramson taught at Wartburg from 1954 to 1989 and had lived in her family home in Laurium, Mich., since het retirement. During her 35 yeats in the music department, she taught piano, harpsichord, piano pedagogy and piano literature. She earned a B.M. degree in piano from Chicago Musical College in 1948 and an M.M. degree in music literature from Eastman School of Music in 1951. In 1965, she became the first woman to earn a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from Eastman. She performed with the Wartbutg Community Symphony on several occasions and presented recitals and lecture tecitals throughout the Midwest.

Cottam taught at Wartburg from 1980 to 1994 and was named Professor of the Year in 1991. She earned her B.A. degree from Wichita State University at the age of 50, after serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II and pursuing a career in business. She accepted a position at Wartburg after completing an M.A. degree at Wichita State in 1976 and a Ph.D. degree in sociology at Washington State University in 1980. Following her retirement in 1994, she directed fundraising for the Iowa Democratic party until 1996, when she moved to Michigan to be neat her family. She moved to Sheboygan, Wis., in 2004 when her son accepted a pastoral call to St. Mark Lutheran Church. She was a resident of Sheboygan Progressive Care Center at the time of her death.

Sutherland taught at Wartburg from 1987 to 1993 and had been on the faculty at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse since then. He was Wartburg's Professot of the Year in 1992. A nationally tecognized wildlife parasitologist, his research centered on the relationship of parasites to diseases in aquatic animals, particularly fish and amphibians. He earned a bachelor's degree in biology in 1974 from Wayne State University in his hometown of Wayne, Neb. He completed an M.S. degree in zoology at the University of North Dakota in 1976 and a Ph.D. degree in zoology at Iowa State University in 1981. He taught for one year at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and then completed postdoctoral tesearch at the University of Wisconsin-Madison before joining the Wartburg faculty.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Alumna competes in Miss USA pageant

After being named Miss Iowa in September 2005, Sarah Corpstein '05 began preparations for the 2006 Miss USA pageant.

Daily rehearsals occupied much of April, including choreography, television appearances and other tasks.

The pageant aired live April 21 to a TV audience of several million and included swimsuit, evening gown and interview competitions. From 51 contestants, the group is narrowed to 15, then 10 and five before Miss USA is crowned.

Corpstein, an Anamosa native, is one of seven children. Her dad, Joseph, mom, Julie and siblings all traveled to Baltimore to provide her with an ample cheering section.

Corpstein, who didn't take home the crown, is a manager with Target Corporation and works in Dubuque.

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The first – and last – time an Iowan took the Miss USA crown was 1955.

Dr. VALARIE JEAN DREES and Eric Keller, Naperville, Ill., were married April 22. Valarie graduated from Palmer College of Chiropractic Oct. 21, 2005, and she is practicing in Hoffman Estates.

JACOB HESSE, Denver, is a graduate student in athletic training at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

SARAH HOLUM, Chicago, Ill., is with CareerBuilder.com as an employee relations specialist.

JON and AMBER JENSEN '04 McGREEVY, Waterloo, announce the birth of Ava Marie, Feb. 2.

Rob and AMANDA JOHNSON OPFER, Central City, announce the birth of Kaleb Michael, Feb. 27. He joins Maggie, 3.

KATIE ROGERS and Bradley Jensen, Lehi, Utah, were married July 24, 2004. Katie is a first-grade teacher.

NIKKI RUDD, Rochester, N.Y., was promoted to weekend anchor at NBC News 10.

NICHOLAS STEVENS, Owatonna, Minn., is the youth director at Community of Hope Lutheran Church.

Darren and JULIE DENNER WESTENDORF, Waverly, announce the birth of Braxten Denner Andrew, March 3.

Kyle and ERIN VAN ZEE WHALLEY, Liberty, Mo., announce the birth of Nolan Douglas, Feb. 18.

LUCAS WIRTH, Denver, Colo., graduated with a law degree from Creighton University.

2003

NATE ADAIR and KARLA FLYNN, Davenport, were married Oct. 29, 2005.

ANDREW ARTHUR, Atascocita, Texas, received his doctor of physical therapy degree from the University of Iowa, Iowa City, in December 2005.

KIMBERLY BABCOCK and Charles Mashek, Waverly, were married Nov. 12, 2005. Kimberly is an information literacy librarian at Wartburg.

Matt and ALENA LIST BAUMAN, Zephyrhills, Fla., announce the birth of Nicholas Robert, Jan. 11. He joins Aaron, 2.

TONY and AMANDA BAKER BREZINA, Lake Mills, announce the birth of Aiden James, April 3.

THOMAS BURCHERS, Cedar Rapids, is in Yellow Book advertising with Pindar Set, Inc.

ERIK DANIELSON graduated from the University of Iowa, Iowa City, with a Master of Science degree in structural engineering. He is a structural engineer with KJWW Engineering Consultants, Rock Island, Ill.

ALLISON ERGANG, Evanston, Ill., received her Master of Science degree in early childhood education from the Erikson Institute, Chicago.

GRETCHEN GRAHAM, Batavia, Ill., is a marketing coordinator at Kimball Hill Homes, Sugar Grove.

HEATHER LORENTSON MAINPRIZE, Charles City, is a Spanish teacher at Nora Springs-Rock Falls High School, Nora Springs.

JAMES MAY, Waterloo, is the morning co-host at KFMW ROCK108.

GABE and MARISOL LOPEZ '05 MOLSTRE, Pleasant Hill, announce the birth of Seneca Cruz, Feb. 14.

MERIDITH MORGAN, Cedar Falls, was selected to present at the 2006 National Country School Conference. She is a graduate student in instructional technology at the University of Northern Iowa.

ANDY and JESSICA MENNEN POLLOCK, Ankeny, announce the birth of Addison Faith, Feb. 13.

LANCE RIDPATH is a statistical engineer with BWX Technologies, Lynchburg, Va.

PATRICK SMITH and JAMIE GARBES, Waterloo, were married Aug. 6, 2005. Patrick is an assistant branch manager with Wells Fargo Financial. Jamie is a physical education teacher and volleyball coach at Cedar Falls High School.

JENNA SPECHT, Fitchburg, Wis., is with the *Wisconsin State Journal* as an advertising consultant.

Christopher and KIMBERLY HOEFER STREIF, Dyersville, announce the birth of Emma Claire, Jan. 19, 2006.

JEREMY THOMAS and ALEXIS JANSONIUS, Pella, were married Oct. 1, 2005. Jeremy is with Pella Corporation as a department manager. Alexis is a writer/graphic designer at The Write Place.

MELISSA WENDLAND, Westfield, Wis., teaches kindergarten and in the after-school program in the Westfield School District.

2004

COURTNEY BEARDMORE, Dorchester, is in her second year of Peace Corps service teaching English as a second language in the Kyrgyz Republic, an independent nation in Central Asia.

JAMES CORY and KATIE KIRKLE, Cedar Falls, were married Feb. 18. Bridesmaids included KELLEE KIRKLE '10, ERICA OSTWALD '04, and SHENA WADIAN '04 and groomsmen were TIMOTHY DONAT '04, SCOTT STORLIE '04 and JASON KIRKLE '07.

ANGIE FOELSKE DJOUMESSI and ALAIN DJOUMESSI '05, Waverly, announce the birth of Kiara Gabrielle, March 15. Angie is a preschool teacher at Waverly Child Care and Preschool. Alain is a youth counselor at Lutheran Services of Iowa.

HOLLY DORENKAMP, Cedar Falls, is a graduate student at the University of Northern Iowa.

STEPHANIE HASSEBROCK, Memphis, Tenn., is with the University of Memphis athletic department as a marketing assistant.

SARA HAVERKAMP, Minneapolis, is with the Federal Reserve Bank as a treasury services team member.

RACHEL KNOCK, Marshalltown, is with Moore, McKibben, Goodman, Lorenz & Ellfson as a legal assistant, primarily working with their closing company, Central Iowa Title Services.

JAKE KOHLHAAS, Chicago, Ill., is a youth director at Edison Park Lutheran Church

DEREK and KARYN MEIER, Allison, announce the birth of Madison Rose, Feb. 21. She joins Justice, 2.

ADAM MILLER and SARAH OLSEN '05, Pella, were married Dec. 17. Adam teaches K-3 physical education with

the Pella Community School District, and Sarah is a third grade teacher with the Lynnville-Sully Community School District.

JULIE ANNE MOELLER, St. Louis, is a graduate student in social work (medical) at St. Louis University.

SARAH NELSEN, West Des Moines, is a teacher at Madison Elementary for Des Moines Public Schools.

ALISON ONDRACEK, Des Plaines, Ill., is the director of youth and education ministries at Trinity Lutheran Church, Evanston.

JUSTIN PETERS, Manson, is a wire transfer specialist with First American Bank.

SANDRA REICKS, Lawler, is the director of religion education at Delight of Christ.

ANGIE SCHUT SCHAFFER, Waukee, is the director of youth ministry at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

NATHAN SCHEIBE, West Branch, is a staff accountant with Carpentier Mitchell Goddard & Co.

HEATHER SCHUTTE, Denver, is a staff accountant with Waterloo Service Company, Waterloo.

MOLLY SLOAN, Algona, is a kindergarten teacher in the Emmetsburg Community School District.

LINDSEY SMITH is a graduate student at Hamilton College, Des Moines.

MARGARET WRAGE and David Horsfield, Keystone, were married Nov. 26, 2005.

2005

ALLISON ANDERSON, Gilbert, Ariz., is a music therapist with Arizona Music Therapy.

NATALIE ANDERSON, Bettendorf, is a corporate training specialist with The Sedona Group, Moline, Ill.

EMILY BABCOCK, West Des Moines, is a customer service specialist with Wells Fargo Financial, Urbandale.

ERIC BANTZ and Megan Reiff, Davenport, were married Oct. 8, 2005. Eric attends Palmer College of Chiropractic.

KELLY BIELENBERG, Loves Park, Ill., is the director of recruiting and agency development with Northwestern Mutual Financial Network, Rockford.

BRIANNE BORGIE, Gilbert, Ariz., is a music therapist with Arizona Music Therapy.

THERESA EDSON, Des Moines, is in research with Pioneer Hybrid International.

LINDSEY FRANCIS, Albert Lea, Minn., is an associate general accountant with Hormel Foods Corporation, Austin, Minn.

EMILY FRIEDMAN, Lawrence, Kan., is a law student at the University of Kansas.

RUSS GOEREND and BECKY TOWNSLEY '06, Waverly, were married June 3. Becky is a second-grade teacher for Fairbank Elementary in the Wapsie Valley School District, Fairbank.

MICHAEL KLOSTER, Manly, is a high school math teacher for North Central Community Schools.

JAMIE KRANZ, Mason City, is an assistant stage manager with Parks Square Theatre.

MERRILEE LERDAL, Clive, is a customer service representative with Wells Fargo.

ERIN MANSON, Kalona, is a 6-12 art teacher for the Mid-Prairie School District and a full-time graduate student at Graceland College.

JORDAN MAUS and Frances Collins, Oak Park, Ill., were married Oct. 8, 2005.

Steve and ERIN BRINKMAN MULDER, Greene, announce the birth of Reagan Anna, Feb. 25.

MATTHEW PENNING, Dubuque, is the sales marketing manager with Southwest Outlet and Lumber and a retail wireless consultant with U.S. Cellular.

SARA PHILLIPS, Polk City, is with Focus Legal Solutions as a shift manager.

MELANIE PILTINGSRUD, New Richland, Minn., is a reporter for the *New Richland Star.*

SAMANTHA ROSE, Forest Park, Ill., is a grade school instrumental music teacher at Walther Lutheran High School.

HEATHER SEVERSON and Isaac Pedelty, Albuquerque, N.M., were married June 26, 2004.

MATT SKILLING will be attending Valparaiso University School of Law in fall 2006.

ELIZABETH THOMA, Durant, is a graduate student at Iowa State University.

KARI TINDALL, Waukee, is a development assistant with the Civic Center of Greater Des Moines.

STEFANIE TOMALKA, Jefferson City, Mo., is a preschool teacher at the Capital Region Child Development Center.

AMANDA McALPINE WILLIAMS, Waverly, is with CUNA Mutual.

2006

JANEECE ANDERSON, Tripoli, is a K-5 music teacher and fifth-grade band director at the Denver Community Schools, Denver.

AMBER BOYD, Waterloo, is a graduate student at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

JEFFREY CALLAHAN, Grimes, is an investment accountant with Principal Financial Group, Des Moines.

STEPHANIE GOETZ, Ledyard, received an ADDY award for Information Sign for Form-I in Industrial Design.

ERICA HAUGEN, Waconia, Minn., is a preschool teacher for three-year-olds at the Shoreline Early Childhood Development Center, Wayzata.

LEAH MUHLE, Solon, is attending University of Iowa's Carver College of Medicine, Iowa City.

MARIA CARLA ROSAN RODIS, Hiawatha, is a first tier support analyst with Ruffalo Cody, Cedar Rapids.

ALUMNI UPDATE

Share news about your new job or promotion, your marriage, a birth in your family, honors you've received, your retirement. Maybe you've earned another degree, had a book or article published, won an election. **Let us know!**

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2006-07 convocation series to begin Oct. 3

Programs begin at 11:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium, unless otherwise noted.

Tuesday, Oct. 3
Po Bronson, author of *What Should I Do with My Life?* will speak on *Finding Your Passion.*

Tuesday, Nov. 7
Judy Norsigian, co-founder of the Boston Women's Health Book Collective, which published landmark women's resource, *Our Bodies, Our Selves.*

Tuesday, Feb. 20
Playwright David Barr III will speak about his play, *Jackie, Vi and Lena.*

Tuesday, March 20
Veteran journalist Helen Thomas, who has covered every president since John F. Kennedy

Keep on Learning programs set

All programs begin with refreshments at 9 a.m. The first class in each session is free, with $30 per person payable at the second session. Look for details for each session at www.wartburg.edu.

***Music, the Universal Language,* Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28**
Jason Weinberger, music director, Waterloo-Cedar Falls Symphony Orchestra

Films That Changed the Way We Think
Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26
Dr. Scott Cawelti, University of Northern Iowa professor of English and *Courier* columnist

***Life on the Serengeti,* Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30**
Dr. Les Huth '58, Wartburg professor emeritus of education

***We're All in It Together: One Father – Three Faiths,* Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25**
The Rev. Dr. Dennis Dickman '59, retired pastor and Old Testament scholar

***Henry David Thoreau and Walden at 150: Their Influence on American Culture,* Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22**
Dr. Richard Schneider, Wartburg professor of English

***Winning the War: The American Military in World War II,* March 8, 15, 22, 29**
Dr. Terry Lindell, Wartburg professor of history

***Antique Cars and the Development of Transportation,* May 3, 10, 17, 24**
Phil Thomas and Ron Lompe, antique car buffs

All Strings Attached

Symphony season opens at Homecoming

Stringing Along
Oct. 14, 8 p.m.
The orchestra will accompany a silent film as viewers watch Rudolph Valentino string along a new conquest in *Son of the Shiek.*

String of Events
Dec. 9, 2 p.m.
Experience an entertaining string of events in Peter Hamlin's *Christmas with Mr. Grump,* narrated by Hamlin himself. This concert also features local dancers.

Heart Strings
Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m.
Classical guitarist Petar Jankovic will pull at your heartstrings as he masterfully translates music into emotion.

First String
March 31, 7:30 p.m.
Concert Artists Guild International award-winning violinist Asmira Woodward-Page, definitely a first-string performer, will perform Beethoven's violin concerto.

Stringendo
May 12, 7:30 p.m.
The career of cellist Soo Bae, 2005 Concert Artists Guild International award winner, is in a state of stringendo (acceleration). She will perform Haydn's concerto in D for cello and orchestra.

All symphony concerts take place in Neumann Auditorium. Ticket information and a downloadable membership form are available at www.wartburg.edu/music/symphony.html.

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The Reduced Shakespeare Company® presents
The Bible: The Complete Word of God (abridged)
Tuesday, Sept. 26
Whether you are Catholic or Atheist, Muslim or Jew, Protestant or Purple People Eater, you will be tickled by the RSC's romp through old time religion.

Alison Brown Quartet
Thursday, Nov. 16
This bluegrass-jazz banjo artist has been featured on *CBS Sunday Morning,* NPR's *All Things Considered* and the *Wall Street Journal* and *New York Times.*

Jackie, Vi and Lena
Tuesday, Feb. 20
A new play by David Barr III examines the intertwined lives of Jackie Robinson, the first black man to play Major League Baseball; Detroit housewife Viola "Vi" Luzzo, who drove 1,000 miles to join Martin Luther King's march from Selma to Montgomery; and singer Lena Horne, who fought for Civil Rights with words, actions, and the full force of her celebrity and fame.

Tony Waag's *Tap City*
Thursday, March 22
This presentation showcases the best of the annual New York City Tap Festival, founded by Tony Waag and the late Gregory Hines. Highlighting innovative and original material created by tap soloists and ensembles from around the world, three generations of hoofers come together in this performance.

All performances begin at 7:30 p.m. in Neumann Auditorium on the Wartburg campus.

Ticket process for Christmas with Wartburg continues to evolve

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Concertgoers can now purchase Christmas with Wartburg tickets through a new online ticketing system. The new e-ticket process will allow patrons to view, select and purchase tickets at their convenience. The college will continue to offer the traditional methods of ticket purchase, including walk-up and phone orders.

Tickets for all performances go on sale Oct. 23.

NO MAIL-IN ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

- Tickets are $16.50 each for all performances, which includes processing fee.
- To order tickets online for the Neumann Auditorium and Nazareth Lutheran Church performances, go to www.wartburg.edu/christmas and click on the performance you want to purchase. Credit card is required for online orders.
- To order Neumann or Nazareth tickets by phone or walk-up, call 866-339-7915 or 319-352-8691. Credit card required for phone orders; cash, check, or credit card accepted for walk-up orders. Ticket Office hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday-Friday at the Saemann Student Center Information Center.
- Tickets for the **Des Moines Civic Center** performance must be ordered through Ticket Master at 515-243-1888 or www.ticketmaster.com, or you can buy tickets at the Civic Center box office from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, starting Oct. 23.
- All seats will be reserved, except for the performance at Nazareth Lutheran, which will remain general seating.
- There is no limit to the number of tickets an individual may purchase for any performance.
- All sales are final. No refunds or exchanges will be allowed.
- Tickets for the dinner preceding the Dec. 1 Nazareth performance and the dinner following the Dec. 3 performance at Wartburg are available at the Information Center or by calling the Ticket Office, 866-339-7915 or 319-352-8691. Dinner tickets cannot be ordered online. You can order as many dinner tickets as you like. Cost for the Nazareth dinner is $20.50. Cost for the Wartburg buffet dinner is $10 for adults, $5 for children ages 6-12, under 5 free.
- Student performers will receive up to four free tickets through their music groups.

Performances will take place in Neumann Auditorium Nov. 30; Nazareth Lutheran Church, in Cedar Falls, Dec. 1; Des Moines Civic Center, Dec. 2; and Neumann Auditorium, Dec. 3.

The college will continue to offer the free, public preview performance at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, in Neumann Auditorium. Doors will open at 4:45 p.m.

Dr. Simon Estes, opera star and distinguished professor and artist-in-residence at Wartburg, will make guest appearances at all performances.

This year's theme is *Waiting for the Child.* Kathryn Koob '60, lecturer in communication arts, will write the narration. "Advent is the time of waiting – waiting in preparation for Christmas, the celebration of the coming of the Son, the Christ child," Koob says. "We wait and prepare in the traditions of our families, our nations, our faiths and our personal experience. This year Christmas with Wartburg will explore some of the waiting traditions. How do we wait as children? How do we encourage the child within us to emerge in faith and love as an expression of response to the gift given to us in the birth of the Child? How do we prepare ourselves to greet Christmas and accept the obligations and responsibilities we have as an adopted child of God, an heir to the Kingdom? We bring our homage to the Lord of Hosts, the Prince of Peace in worship, praise and song. Let us join in a celebration of waiting and prepare our selves and our hearts for the Advent of the Prince of Peace."

CALENDAR

AUGUST

1-3 Meistersinger All-State Camp

5-7 Meistersinger All-State Camp

7-11 Iowa Private College Week, offering campus tours and information sessions for prospective students and their parents - Admissions Office, 9 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. daily

SEPTEMBER

2-5 New Student Arrival/Orientation

5 Opening Convocation – Campus Mall, 10:15 a.m., speaker Dr. Jeffrey Gurock, professor of Jewish history at Yeshiva University in New York

6 Fall classes begin

23 Fall Visit Day for prospective students

23-24 Family Weekend

23 Phi Eta Sigma and Alpha Chi Induction Ceremonies, Wartburg Chapel, 10 a.m.
Campus Fun Zone – Campus Mall 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
President's Tailgate – Campus Mall or Mensa, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Naturally 7 Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 8:30 p.m.

24 Family Weekend Worship – Wartburg Chapel, 10:30 a.m.
Kappa Delta Pi Initiation – Heritage and St. Elizabeth Rooms, 1 p.m.
All-Choir Concert – Wartburg Chapel, 2 p.m.

26 Artist Series – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. featuring *The Bible: The Complete Word of God (abridged)*

OCTOBER

3 Convocation – Neumann Auditorium, 11:30 a.m., Po Bronson

5-7 Wartburg Players present *Mass Appeal* – McCaskey Lyceum, Saemann Student Center, 7:30 p.m.

9 Illinois Visit Day for prospective students

12-15 Homecoming Weekend (see complete schedule at www.wartburg.edu/alumni/homecoming.html)

19, 20 Minnesota Visit Day for prospective students

20 Social Work Visit Day for prospective students

NOVEMBER

4 Fall Band Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

5 Fall Band Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 2 p.m.

7 Convocation – Neumann Auditorium, 11:30 a.m., Judy Norsigian

9-11 Wartburg Players present *Inspector General* – McCaskey Lyceum, Saemann Student Center, 7:30 p.m.

10 Education Visit Day for prospective students
Exploring Visit Day for prospective students

11 Meistersinger Music Scholarship Auditions
Cedar Valley Science Symposium for high school students
Concert of Thanks – Wartburg Chapel, 2 p.m.

12 Fall Scholarship Day for prospective students

13 Business Visit Day for prospective students

16 Artist Series – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., featuring the Alison Brown Quartet

19 Fall Scholarship Day for prospective students

20 Communication Arts Visit Day for prospective students

29 Music Visit Day for prospective students

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Admission video	**www.BeOrange.net**		

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2006-07 Black Student Union President
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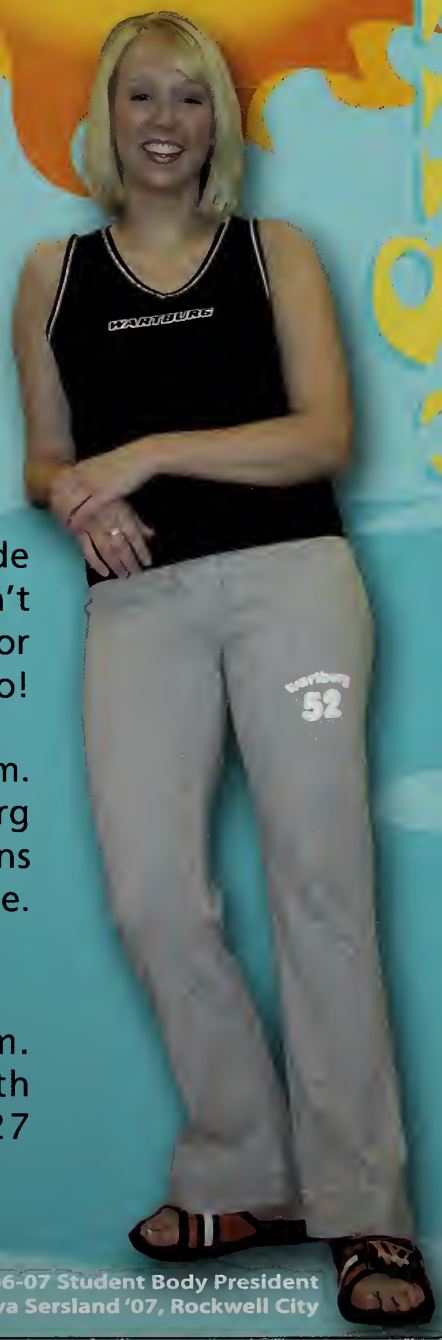

2006-07 Student Body President
Eva Sersland '07, Rockwell City

The Wartburg bookstore stocks a wide variety of summer apparel and gifts. Don't forget to check out the bookstore for back-to-school items, too!

Shop online at www.wartburgbookstore.com. The site offers the latest in Wartburg clothing and gifts, textbook reservations (Aug. 14-25), best-selling books and more.

Monday–Friday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Saemann Student Center North
319–352–8227

Wartburg College Homecoming 2006

ORANGE REVOLUTION

OCTOBER 12-15

The weekend will include annual favorites, such as the **Homecoming parade, Athletic Hall of Fame banquet, class reunion celebrations** for those with graduation years ending in a 1 or 6, and **much more!**

JAZZ HANDS – An "orientation choir" featuring John Myers, director of campus security, entertained Kastle Kapers audiences at Homecoming 2005.

1950s AT THE HOP – Students and staff of the Admissions Office donned 1950s-style apparel and cut a rug at the 2005 Homecoming parade.

photos by Crystal Tews

Watch your mailbox for details, or go online at http://www.wartburg.edu/alumni/homecoming.html

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